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**JOHN H. WHITE**  
Moderator of synod—1988

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 4, 1988, 3 P.M.**

The One Hundred Fifty-Ninth Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America met pursuant to adjournment in Olin Hall, Carleton College, Northfield, Minnesota, at 3 p.m.

After the delegates sang Psalm 48 B the Retiring Moderator, Willard McMillan, called the Court to order and constituted the Court in prayer. This meeting of Synod is in conjunction with the Carleton International Family Convention. Because of this, the message of the Retiring Moderator is to be heard Thursday evening as the keynote address for the conference.

The Roll of Synod was made up and is as follows for all the sessions of Synod:

**ROLL OF SYNOD**

Adams, Dwight, Deacon Delegate, Ohio-Illinois Presbytery	XXXXX
Adams, Greg, Westminster	XXX X
Adams, Roy M., Eastvale	XXXXXX

Adjemian, Christian, Perth	XXXXX
Backensto, Bruce R.	XXXXXX
Baumgardner, James, Second Indianapolis	XXX
Basil, Fred, L.	
Beard, Philip, Lawrence	XX XXX
Bessell, Roy, Rose Point	XXXXXX
Blackwood, Roy Jr., Second Indianapolis	XXX
Blackwood, William	
Boyle, Samuel E.	XX
Buck, Francis, Los Angeles	XXXXXX
Burke, David	
Carson, David M., Geneva College	
Carson, Douglas, College Hill	XXXXXX
Carson, James D., Los Angeles	XXXXXX
Carson, Norman M., Geneva College	XXXXXX
Caskey, Joseph M.	
Caskey, R. Wylie	
Catloth, Robert, Finance Committee	XXXXXX
Chamberlain, Douglas, Lisbon	XXXXX
Chao, Charles, Taiwan	XXXXXX
Coon, David C., White Lake	XXXXX
Coon, Philip L.	XXX
Copeland, E. Clark, Seminary	XXXXXX
Copeland, Joe, Hays	XXXXXX
Copeland, Lloyd, Denison	XXXXXX
Copeland, Stanley,	
Armed Service Chaplain	XX
Cornell, William	EEEEE
Duffield, A. Wayne, New Alexandria	XXXXXX
Edgar, John O.	XXXXXX
Edgar, Kermit S.	
Edgar, William J., Broomall	XXXXX
Elliott, D. Howard	XXXXXX
Faris, Harold, Shawnee	XXXXXX
Faris, Paul E.	
Felker, Donald	
Finley, Paul W., Walton	XXXXXX
Finley, William, Sparta	XXXXXX
Franklin, Godfrey	
Fulk, Donald, Second Indianapolis	XXXXXX
Fullerton, Robert	
Ganz, Richard L., Ottawa	XXXXXX
Gathright, Danny, Fresno	XXXXX
Gladfelter, Larry, Deacon Delegate	
Atlantic Presbytery	XX

Good, Ronald V., Washington	XXXXXX
Graham, Ronald, Minneola	EEEEEE
Harrington, Harold B., Rose Point	
Harrington, Milton,	
Hemphill, Bruce C.,	XXXXXX
Hemphill, E. Raymond	XXXXXX
Hemphill, Robert L., Selma	XXX X
Henning, Robert A., Winchester	XXXXX
Hensleigh, Paul, Deacon Delegate	
Midwest Presbytery	XXXX
Hindman, J. Edward, Denison	XXXXXX
Hindman, Reed, Minneola	XXXXXX
Hoffman, Kenneth, Tusca Area	
Huggins, Gene, Syracuse	XXXX
Hughes, Jonathan, Southfield	XXXXXX
Huston, David, Winchester	XXXXXX
Hutcheson, T. Richard	XXXXX
Hutcheson, Thomas M.	
Joseph, Ralph, E., Superior-Beulah	XXXXXX
Joseph, Raymond P., Southfield	XXXXXX
Kato, Koso, Kasumigaoka, Tarumi	XX
Keddie, Gordon, New Covenant	
Reformed Fellowship	EEEEEE
Kepple, Daniel	
Kiehl, Daniel, Rimersburg	XXXXXX
Kilpatrick, Lester E.	XXXX
Kincaid, Garland, Covenant Fellowship,	
Indianapolis	
Lamont, Donald, Finance Committee	XX
Lamont, Jack, Seattle	XXXXXX
Leach, Charles, Japan	
Leach, Jonathan	EEEEEE
Long, David, West Lafayette	XXEEXX
Lowe, Duncan	XXEEXX
Magill, Keith, Southside Indianapolis	XXXEXX
Mann, Robert, Colorado Springs	XXXXXX
Martin, Fred, North Hills	XXXXXX
Martin, J. Bruce, Hebron	XXXXXX
Martin, Melville W., Home for the Aged	
Martin, Paul, Phoenix	XX XX
Martin, Philip W., Phoenix	XXXXXX
Masunaga, Toshio, Higashisuma	XXXXX
Mathews, R. Paul, Ogemaw	
Mauser, John, Southside Indianapolis	XX XX
McBurney, Charles, White Lake	XXXXXX

McBurney, Kenneth, Almonte	XXXXXX
McBurney, Waldo, Quinter	XXXXXX
McCracken, D. Raymond, Coldenham-Newburgh	XXXXXX
McCracken, J. Paul, Colorado Springs	XXXXXX
McCracken, Paul D.	
McCracken, Robert, Manchester	XX XXX
McCracken, Timothy, Fresno	XXXXEE
McElroy, June	
McFarland, Glenn E.	XXXXX
McFarland, M. L.	
McFarland, Robert H., Topeka	XXXXXX
McMahan, Steven, Hebron	XXXXXX
McMahon, James, Greeley	XXXXXX
McMillan, John, Endwell	XXXXXX
McMillan, Richard, Elkins Park	XXXXXX
McMillan, Robert	
McMillan, Willard, Geneva College	XXXXXX
Metcalfe, William, Finance Committee	
Metzger, Harry, Westminster	XXXXXX
Miller, Albert, Manchester	XXXXXX
Milroy, Jerrold S.	XXXXXX
Mitchel, Waldo	
Miwa, Nobuo, Kasumigaoka	
More, Robert Jr.	
Morrow, Robert	
Morton, James, Almonte	XXXXXX
O'Neill, Jerry, Columbus	XXXXXX
Patterson, David R., Clarinda	EEEXXX
Paul, Joseph, Armed Service Chaplain	
Peachy, David	
Pennington, James C.	XXXXXE
Pihl, William H., Rochester	XXXXXX
Pilling, James, Sharon	XXXXXX
Piper, Donald, Seattle	XXXXXX
Piper, Wilmer, Topeka	XXXXXX
Pitts, J. Edward, San Diego	XXXXXX
Plowmaker, Katharine, Deacon Delegate	
Presbytery of the Alleghenies	XXXXXX
Pockras, Philip, Belle Center	XXXXXX
Price, Thomas A. Jr.	
Price, George W.	
Prutow, Dennis, Sterling	
Reed, Donald, Sterling	XX XX
Reed, Maurice, Topeka	XX XXX

Reid, Thomas, Quinter	XXXXXX
Rice, Robert	
Robb, G.M.	
Robb, Kim, Deacon Delegate	
Iowa Presbytery	XX
Roberts, William, Bloomington	XXXXXX
Robson, Edward A., Syracuse	XXXXX
Russell, Timothy, Geneva	X XXXX
Schmidtberger, Robert, Sharon	XXXXXX
Schutz, Frank, Allegheny	XXX XX
Shafer, Phillip, Coldenham-Newburgh	XXXXXX
Shoop, Butch, Columbus	XXXX
Siebring, Marcia, Finance Committee	XX
Smith, Alvin W. Sr.	
Smith, Dale, Lisbon	XXXXX
Smith, Dean R., College Hill	XXEEXX
Smith, Kenneth G., Covenant Fellowship	XXXXXX
Smith, John, Sharon	XXXXX
Smith, Marshall W., Broomall	XXXXXX
Smith, Raymond, Geneva	XXXXXX
Spear, Gene W., Japan	
Spear, Wayne R., Seminary	XXXXXX
Spear, Wendell, Walton	XX XX
Stahl, John, College Hill	XXXXXX
Stegall, Ronald H., National Reform Association	XXXXX
Sterrett, Charles S.	
Sterrett, Samuel B., Oakdale	
Sterrett, William J., Japan	
Stewart, Bruce C., Seminary	XXXXXX
Swartz, Walter, Oswego	XXXXX
Takiura, Shigeru, Keiyaku	
Thompson, Harold	
Tweed, John H., North Hills	XXXXXX
Tweed, Robert B., Lawrence	XXXXXX
Van Camp, Sidney, Aurora	EEEEEE
Van Osdol, Randall, Trinity	XXX XX
Watt, Jonathan, Cambridge	XX XX
Weilersbacher, Donald	
White, John H., Geneva College	XXXXXX
Willson, S. Bruce	
Wilson, Don A., Covenant Fellowship	XEEEXX
Wilsey, Martin J., Westminster	XXEEXX
Wilson, J. Paul	X X
Wissner, Jay, Allegheny	XXXXX

Wright, J. Renwick, Seminary  
Wright, James M., Orlando  
Youn, Samuel, Japan

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**Elder delegates without certificates were seated. Elders present who were not delegates were granted the privileges of the floor for all the meetings of Synod.**

The following persons were introduced as ruling or teaching elder delegates to the Synod for the first time: Jonathan Hughes, Southfield; John Stahl, Douglas Carson, College Hill; Raymond Smith, Geneva; Pastor Timothy McCracken, Fresno; Pastor Daniel Kiehl, Rimersburg; James Pilling, Sharon; John Mauser, Southside Indianapolis; Kaso Kato, Kasumigaoka, Tarumi; and Pastor Christian Adjemian, Perth.

The following persons were introduced as deacon delegates to the Synod for the first time: Dwight Adams, Ohio-Illinois Presbytery; Paul Hensleigh, Midwest Presbytery; Katharine Plowmaker, Presbytery of the Alleghenies; Larry Gladfelter, Atlantic Presbytery; and Kim Robb, Iowa Presbytery.

The following officers were elected for this meeting of Synod: John H. White, Moderator; Paul M. Martin, Clerk; James Pennington, Assistant Clerk.

The following were introduced as fraternal delegates to this Synod: Howard Hart from RCUS; Raymond Morton from the Reformed Presbyterian Church of Scotland; Edward Donnelly from the Reformed Presbyterian Church of Ireland, and Lynsey Blakston from the Reformed Presbyterian Church of Australia.

The Memorial Service was held. The deaths of the following ruling elders were noted: Forrest B. Finley, Sparta; Alexander Waddell, Coldenham-Newburgh; C. Martin Chestnut, Topeka; Robert More, Sr., Shawnee; Santos Yslas, Greeley.

The deaths of Myra McCracken, wife of Pastor Paul D. McCracken, and Grace Boyle, wife of Pastor Samuel E. Boyle, were noted.

The Court was led in the memorial prayer by Thomas Reid.

The following papers were presented:

88-1 concerning the discussion of issues related to the question of feminism and the book written by Mrs. Faith Martin was returned to the signers of the paper. The following recorded their dissent to this action: Thomas Reid, Philip Pockras.

88-2 concerning participation of a man serving the First Beaver Falls congregation was referred to the Presbytery of the Alleghenies for recommendation to the Committee on Travel Funds and Absences.

88-3 concerning granting of funds for the building of a church structure in Limassol, Cyprus, was referred to the Foreign Mission Board to dispose of the matter with a gracious rejection of the request.

88-4a concerning the matter raised by the report of the 1987 Synod's Committee to Review the Minutes of the St. Lawrence Presbytery was referred to the 1988 Synod's Committee to Examine the Minutes of the St. Lawrence Presbytery.

88-4b concerning the problems facing presbyteries in regard to the administration of Vow #8 was referred to the Judicial Committee.

88-5 concerning the appointment of a committee for an in-depth study of the matter of Psalmody was referred to a special committee to be appointed by the Moderator to report to this meeting of Synod.

Paul Martin presented the Report of the Clerk of Synod. Items 1-3 were adopted. The Report as a whole was adopted and is as follows:

#### REPORT OF THE CLERK OF SYNOD

The Clerk of the 1987 Synod reports that he has carried out the duties assigned to him by the Synod and responded to a variety of correspondence that has been addressed to him. Some of this correspondence has been delayed for some time.

*The 1987 Minutes of Synod and Yearbook* was edited by Managing Editors of Crown and Covenant Publications. The Clerk prepared the *Docket and Digest* for the 1988 meeting of Synod. Mrs. Betty Mazur helped with the proofreading.

I am sorry for the delay in the publication of the *Minutes*. This was caused by the changeover from having the *Minutes* edited by the Directors rather than the Clerk. There was some problem in getting our equipment to match; but having been through the process once, it is expected that it will go much more smoothly next time.

Letters were sent to all Boards and Committee Chairmen reminding them that Reports for Synod are to be in the hands of the Clerk by April 15th for inclusion in the *Digest*. The *Docket* for the 1988 Synod has been prepared and is included in the *Digest*. The *Digest* has been reproduced and mailed out by the office of the Board of Education and Publication.

A "Synopsis of Rules of Synod" has been included in the *Digest*. I have included in the *Docket* a page for all reports, though some do not now have a printed report. You may include these when you receive them at

Synod. This is to facilitate the organization of the reports. I have tried to set a specific time on the agenda for each report. If you have a report for Synod that has not been assigned a time on the agenda, please let the Clerk know so he can assign a time for it.

**Recommendations:**

1. That the order of business and hours of meeting stated in the *Docket* be accepted as the agenda for this meeting of Synod.
2. That the following be referred to the Nominating Committee:
  - a. Committee on Time and Place for the 1989 meeting of Synod;
  - b. Those to whom letters of remembrance should be sent (1974 Minutes, p. 60);
  - c. Those to be elected to fill vacancies on Synod's boards and permanent committees.
3. That presbyteries be granted the privilege of meeting during this meeting of Synod.

Respectfully submitted,  
Paul M. Martin, Clerk

**Louis Hutmire presented the Report of the Stated Clerk. The report as a whole was adopted and is as follows:**

**THE REPORT OF THE STATED CLERK**

Listed below are the statistics of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America. These statistics are compiled from reports submitted by the clerks of congregations through their presbytery clerks.

**MEMBERSHIP**

	<b>12/31/86</b>	<b>12/31/87</b>
Communicant Members	3,757	3,745
Baptized Members	1,354	1,369
Total Members	<u>5,111</u>	<u>5,114</u>
Increases:		
By baptism	126	111
By profession of faith	102	123
From other R.P. Congregations	91	110
From other denominations	54	60
Other	30	85
Total Increase	<u>403</u>	<u>489</u>

	12/31/86	12/31/87
Decreases:		
Deaths	59	40
To other R. P. Congregations	103	133
To other denominations	120	122
Final removal	80	58
Other	<u>75</u>	<u>133</u>
Total Decrease	<u>437</u>	<u>486</u>
Baptized children making public profession	<u>39</u>	<u>67</u>

## CONGREGATIONS

Congregations	71	70
Mission Churches and Preaching Stations	6	7
Men under care of presbyteries	16	19
Licensed to preach	3	9
Elders	273	278
Deacons	247	247
Missionaries	8	7
Sabbath School, average attendance	2,913	2,939
Sabbath Worship	3,908	4,153
Young People's Societies members	181	211

## CONGREGATIONAL FINANCES

	12/31/86	12/31/87
Beginning Balances	<u>\$ 627,515</u>	<u>\$ 695,612</u>
Receipts	<u>3,603,589</u>	<u>3,602,871</u>
Disbursements:		
Pastor's Salaries and Comp.	1,409,502	1,435,398
R.P. Missions and Ministry	234,260	235,455
Other R.P. Works	229,480	235,414
Other	<u>1,662,250</u>	<u>1,625,363</u>
Total Disbursements	<u>3,535,492</u>	<u>3,531,630</u>
Ending Balance	<u>\$ 695,612</u>	<u>\$ 766,853</u>

## MISSION CHURCHES ORGANIZED

Westminister, Chicago	06/19/87
Yokoh, Japan	03/09/87
Trinity, Washington D.C.	06/ /87

**CONGREGATION DISORGANIZED TO A MISSION CHURCH**

Anchorage, Alaska

07/01/87

**MINISTERS**

Presbytery	1986	1987	Pastors	Other Church	Work	Retired	Other
Alleghenies	31	32	11		11	7	3
Atlantic	9	9	5			1	3
Iowa	3	3	2		1		
Midwest	30	31	13		2	8	8
Ohio-Illinois	24	24	11		4	1	8
Pacific Coast	9	9	4		3	1	1
St. Lawrence	11	12	7		2	1	2
Japan	4	4	4				
Totals	121	124	57		24	18	25

**MINISTERS ORDAINED AND INSTALLED**

Fredrick Basil	Sparta	04/03/87
James McMahon	Greeley	05/05/87

**MINISTERS INSTALLED**

Gordon Keddie	State College	02/06/87
Robert McFarland	Topeka	06/03/87
David Patterson	Clarinda	09/16/87
Robert Tweed	Lawrence	10/07/87

**MINISTERS RECEIVED FROM OTHER DENOMINATIONS**

J. Edward Pitts	Midwest	01/16/87
Gordon Keddie	Alleghenies	02/06/87

**MINISTERS RELEASED TO OTHER DENOMINATIONS**

David Armstrong	03/04/87
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**MINISTERS RELEASED FROM PASTORAL CHARGE**

Robert Fullerton	First Beaver Falls	03/31/87
David L. Burke	Quinter	05/31/87
Marion L. McFarland	Ogemaw	06/15/87
Thomas Price, Jr.	Sterling	07/12/87
Bruce Hemphill	Hays	08/31/87
Robert B. Tweed	Anchorage	

**DEATH OF RULING ELDERS**

Edwin Clarke	College Hill	02/17/87
John M. Hays	Sharon	05/14/87
Raymond P. Joseph	Marion	05/21/87
Alexander Weddell	Coldenham-Newburgh	08/18/87
Forrest B. Finley	Sparta	09/23/87

**LICENTIATES**

Douglas Comin	Alleghenies
Robert Dalbey	Alleghenies
Gerald Dodds	Alleghenies
Daniel Kiehl	Alleghenies
Timothy McCracken	Alleghenies
Robert Willson	Alleghenies
Brian Randazzo	Atlantic
Kelly Moore	Midwest
Bruce Parnell	Midwest
Christian Adjemian	St. Lawrence

**STUDENTS UNDER THE CARE OF PRESBYTERY**

Andrews Amoh	Alleghenies
Gerald Bowyer	Alleghenies
Anthony Cowley	Alleghenies
Robert Dalbey	Alleghenies
Gerald Dodds	Alleghenies
Thomas Houston	Alleghenies
Daniel Kiehl	Alleghenies
Keith Kusbit	Alleghenies
Timothy McCracken	Alleghenies
Peter Smith	Alleghenies
Donald Cassell	Atlantic
Michael Lydon	Atlantic

Brian Randazzo	Atlantic
Kelly Moore	Midwest
Edwin Blackwood	Ohio-Illinois
Barry York	Ohio-Illinois
Christian Adjemian	St. Lawrence
Andrew Schep	St. Lawrence
Ian Speirs	St. Lawrence

**ADDENDA**

Anchorage Mission Station Disorganized	02/19/88
Santa Ana Congregation Disorganized	06/19/88
Perth Congregation Organized	06/24/88
<b>Pastors Released</b>	
William Blackwood	Marion 01/15/88
Nobuo Miwa	Kasumigaoka 02/21/88
Jerrold Milroy	Shawnee 06/01/88
Jonathan Leach	Elkins Park 06/12/88
Frederick Basil	Sparta 06/30/88
<b>Pastors Ordained &amp; Installed</b>	
Daniel Kiehl	Rimersburg 04/15/88
Christian Adjemian	Perth 06/24/88
Timothy McCracken	Fresno 07/08/88
<b>Pastors Installed</b>	
J. Edward Pitts	San Diego 01/16/88
Dennis Prutow	Sterling 07/13/88
<b>Suspended</b>	
Carter Rowe	03/08/88
<b>Death of Ruling Elders</b>	
C. Martin Chestnut	Topeka 04/20/88
<b>Students Under Care</b>	
Daniel Oliver	Alleghenies
David Nehilla	Alleghenies
Wade Mann	Midwest
John McFarland	Ohio-Illinois

Respectfully submitted,  
Louis D. Hutmire, Stated Clerk

Special permission was granted to the Board of Home Missions to distribute a brochure at the Carleton Family International Conference before discussion by the court.

The Court was adjourned in prayer by Bruce Martin.

The Retiring Moderator, Willard McMillan, preached the retiring moderator's sermon as the keynote address of the 1988 Carleton Family International Conference at the opening meeting of the conference on Thursday evening, August 4, 1988, in the West Gym at Carleton College, Northfield, Minnesota, at 7:30 p.m. James Carson led the assembly in the worship of God. After the congregation had sung several Psalms and after a time of prayer Mr. McMillan read from God's Word, Psalm 22:22-31 and preached on the theme, "God's Church—A Serving People. The worship service was concluded with prayer, singing and the pronouncing of God's benediction on the congregation.

On Friday morning, the Moderator had posted the following committees:

#### Committees Appointed by the Moderator

##### Nominating Committee

Kenneth McBurney, Chairman  
David Long  
Jerry O'Neill (2 years)  
Bruce Martin (2 years)  
Douglas Carson  
Donald Fulk

##### Judicial Committee

Charles McBurney, Chairman  
Philip Pockras  
Dean Smith  
Donald Reed  
Thomas Reid  
Robert Hemphill

##### Resolution of Thanks

Willard McMillan, Chairman  
E. Clark Copeland

##### Committee to Review Records of Presbyteries

Allegheny  
Robert Tweed  
J. Paul McCracken  
Maurice Reed

Iowa  
Ralph Joseph  
D. Raymond McCracken  
Robert Mann

##### Midwest

Ronald V. Good  
Norman Carson  
John Stahl

##### New York

Raymond Joseph  
Ronald Stegall  
Francis Buck

Ohio-Illinois

Robert Henning

Kenneth G. Smith

John Smith

St. Lawrence

Bruce R. Backensto

J. Edward Hindman

Wilmer Piper

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James D. Carson, Chairman

Paul Finley

Donald Piper

Roy Adams

Philip Beard

Pacific Coast

Kenneth McBurney

Keith Magill

Phillip Shafer

Japan

James Wright

Frank Schutz

Jack Lamont

**Flowers were sent to the conference by the College Hill Congregation to honor John H. White on his election to the office of Moderator of Synod.**

**During the morning meetings of the conference the presbyteries gave their reports. They are as follows:**

#### **REPORT OF THE PRESBYTERY OF THE ALLEGHENIES**

The Presbytery of the Alleghenies respectfully reports that there are fourteen congregations under our care. Since last year, the mission station in Washington D.C. has been organized as a mission church and already changed its name and location. It is now the Trinity Reformed Presbyterian Church and is meeting in a special education facility at 11011 Cherry Hill Road in Beltsville, Maryland 20783. Daniel Kiehl was installed as pastor of the Rimmersburg Congregation in April. Eastvale, without a pastor for the last year, is expecting the arrival of pastor-elect Kelly Moore in September. First Beaver Falls has announced its intention to call Douglas Comin as Associate Pastor this fall.

In addition to those serving in congregations, we have nineteen active teaching elders and one inactive teaching elder on our roll. Four of these men are serving at Geneva College, four serve the R. P. Seminary, one is a missionary in Japan, one is Director of Education and Publications for the denomination, eight are retired, one is without a pastorate and one is self-employed.

Our Presbytery finances improved this last year. We started with a deficit and ended with a small balance. Our membership, however, continued to decline. While some of this may be attributed to the continuing economic pressures in Western Pennsylvania, and to the older age of some of our congregations, we do note that other churches in our areas of ministry

are growing. We are concerned about our lack of growth, but we have made no serious study of it.

The four sessions in Beaver Falls met in June to talk about ways of increased cooperation. In July the Geneva Session approved, in principle, merger with the College Hill congregation. The College Hill Session indicated positive sentiment to the proposal, but had not had time to discuss it with the congregation. The two sessions are planning to discuss this further in the fall. The proposal came out of a recognition that the two churches duplicate many aspects of ministry which could be combined. There is also a hope that any merger might later result in a new work being started in another area of Beaver County.

There are evidences of God's blessing on the Presbytery. Several of our congregations are now using Evangelism Explosion in their ministry and have seen professions of faith as a result. New Covenant Reformed Fellowship in State College is recognizing that they will soon outgrow their present facility and are starting to plan for the future in terms of larger facilities. In addition, they have been involved in leading Bible study in the Lewiston area and have four families which are interested in seeing a Reformed church in that area.

Covenant Fellowship hopes to be able to start an extension work in another area of Pittsburgh.

Our Mission Church, Trinity Reformed Presbyterian Church, has experimented with a direct mail approach to contact new families. Seventeen families have attended worship services as a result of these contacts. Dr. Donald MacNair has served as a consultant for this work during the last year. We believe that he has helped the work move forward at a much faster rate. We are grateful to the Home Mission Board for helping to finance his services.

We continue to have many students of theology under our care. Several of our licentiates have now accepted calls. Gerald Dodds has accepted a call to be Minister of Youth and Evangelism in a Reformed Church of America in Grand Rapids, Michigan. Rob Dalbey is employed in Pittsburgh and working with Covenant Fellowship.

The other students under our care are Andrews Amoh, Gerald Bowyer, Tony Cowley, Thomas Houston, Keith Kusbit, Dave Nehilla, Dan Oliver, and Peter Smith.

The officers of the Presbytery are listed in our Roster. Our travel fund is paid in full and all members are accounted for.

Respectfully submitted,  
Dean R. Smith, Clerk

#### REPORT OF THE ATLANTIC PRESBYTERY

The Atlantic Presbytery respectfully reports that we have six congregations under our care, two of which are without settled pastors: Ridgefield

Park, New Jersey, and Elkins Park, Pennsylvania. The Ridgefield Park congregation has been without a pastor now for two years. They have made out four calls without bringing forth the man of God's choosing. Please pray with us on their behalf that the Lord might restore their ministry of the Gospel in this strategic metropolitan area. They continue to be encouraged as the Lord sends various new people to fellowship with them. Pray that the Lord will provide pastoral leadership. Our Elkins Park congregation, adjoining Philadelphia, has also sought to be faithful to our Master's calling. With their pastor's acceptance of a call to the chaplaincy in the United States Army, they are seeking guidance for another pastor of God's leading. Rev. William Cornell is serving as Stated Supply until November 30, 1988. In addition, our Presbytery has appointed a committee to counsel them that they may more readily assess that ministry which the Lord would have before them. Please pray for a pastor for this small but faithful assembly, for Rev. Cornell and his ministry among them, and for the Presbytery that we may truly provide brotherly encouragement.

Our four congregations with pastors are Broomall, Cambridge, Coldenham-Newburgh and White Lake. Each of these are experiencing the Lord's blessing in various ways, like increased attendance and membership, new contacts within their communities, greater expression of support for one another, expressing Christ's Lordship before the world, and seeing another generation of leadership raised up. Please pray that God will continue to bless these labors and those who shepherd them.

We have two Students Under Care: Donald Cassell who has a burden to establish a Reformed witness in Liberia, and Michael Lydon who recently graduated from Reformed Episcopal Seminary in Philadelphia. Licentiate Brian Randazzo, inasmuch as he is pastor-elect of the Ogemaw congregation, requested transfer to the Ohio-Illinois Presbytery. We have six pastors without charge: George Price, William Cornell, Philip Coon, William Smith (retired) and Jonathan Leach (serving as a chaplain), and Duncan Lowe studying at Westminster Theological Seminary. Please pray for these students and pastors that they will be effective for the cause of Christ.

We continue to support the Center for Urban Theological Studies (CUTS) in Philadelphia. Dr. William Edgar serves as our representative. This institution, which is affiliated with Westminster Seminary and Geneva College, offers instruction in Reformed Theology to men serving already as pastors in the various ethnic communities of Philadelphia and other urban areas along the east coast but who have had no prior formal training. Our Presbytery also provides oversight and support for the White Lake Covenanter Camp. Two significant projects were undertaken this year: An addition to our kitchen of a walk-in refrigerator and freezer, and a water system that will provide an abundance of water to what we foresee will be an increasing camp population. This has not been done without considerable expense--well over \$25,000--and countless hours of

volunteer labor. We have appreciated your response to our direct mailing. Many of you White Lakers included touching letters of how the Lord worked in your life through the camp in the past. It is a blessing to read those notes. We ask you to pray that the Lord will raise the monies yet lacking on this ambitious undertaking. Pray for guidance and strength for our Director, Mike Tabon, and Camp Board, and Commissioners. We also extend a sincere invitation for you to attend our Family Camp August 15-23 where you will hear more excellent preaching from Rev. Edward Donnelly. We are looking for a good camp enrollment--more than the average from 1987, 150 campers. If you are a White Laker and don't have your name on our mailing list or would like to receive information about our camp, please put your name and address on a slip of paper and give it to me.

In addition to our Synod meeting we met in White Lake on April 1, 1988 for our annual meeting. At this meeting Rev. Jonathan Watt was elected moderator, who, along with our other officers is listed with our Roster. We recognize that while we are geographically closer than some presbyteries, which produces many blessings, there are many difficulties which face us for which we need to be much in prayer. We ask that you join us before the throne of grace.

Respectfully submitted,  
David Coon, Clerk

#### REPORT OF THE IOWA PRESBYTERY

Dear Fathers and Brethren,

The Iowa Presbytery respectfully reports there are presently two congregations and one mission station under its care. It was with deep regret that the Presbytery moved on September 15, 1987, to dissolve the congregation-session and congregation-pastoral relationships and reduce the Marion Reformed Presbyterian Church to Mission Station status. This action was taken after considerable prayer and was based on the evaluation of Dr. Donald MacNair, of Churches Vitalized, Inc. and at the request of the Marion Session.

"Where there is no vision, the people perish . . ." Proverbs 29:18. The future of the Iowa Presbytery is squarely before us. We are keenly aware of a need for genuine growth and expansion. This year we have been considering various options available to us: Union with an existing presbytery, working to plant a new congregation in the Marion area, considering other growth areas within Iowa. We covet the prayers of the church as we seek the Lord's will for our congregations.

The annual meeting of the Presbytery was held on April 9, 1988, at Sharon-Morning Sun, Iowa, and the called meeting August 5, 1988, at this meeting of Synod. The Presbytery Family Conference was a one-day event consisting of fellowship and recreation held on July 26, 1988, at Crooked Creek Christian Camp east of Washington, Iowa.

The officers of the Presbytery are listed with our Roster. Our representative to the Geneva College Board of Corporators is Lauren Wolcott, and Ronald Good is our representative on the Board of Home Missions. Robert Schmidtberger is our Travel Fund Agent. All our members are accounted for and the Travel Fund is paid in full.

Presbytery asks that the Synod keep its labors in prayer: 1) Specifically for clear direction as concerns our future as a presbytery, 2) For the Marion people, who remain faithful and who earnestly desire to see another work rise up to God's glory, and 3) For the Sharon and Washington congregations as each seeks to grow and expand in their respective communities.

Respectfully submitted,  
Ronald V. Good, Clerk

### **REPORT OF THE MIDWEST PRESBYTERY**

Midwest Presbytery respectfully reports to you concerning our activities and God's mercies to us over the past year.

Besides our meeting at Synod this year we have held our annual meeting, October 27-28, 1987, in Clay Center, Kansas, hosted by the Hebron Congregation, and a special meeting March 9, 1988, in Sterling, Kansas, to examine the Reverend Dennis Prutow, an ordained minister in the Orthodox Presbyterian Church, for eligibility for a call in the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America. Mr. Prutow was called by the Sterling Congregation to be their pastor and was installed by the Ad Interim Commission on July 13, 1988. Rejoice with them in this provision of very capable pastoral leadership and welcome the Prutow family to the RPCNA.

We have sixteen congregations on our roll. Of these, the Hays and Shawnee Congregations are without installed teaching elders, since Jerry Milroy resigned from the Shawnee pastorate effective June 1, 1988. The Presbytery commends Mr. Milroy for his faithfulness to the church, his humble submission to the courts of the church and his patient forbearance. Pray that God would provide the needed leadership for them. The Quinter Congregation anticipates the installation of Thomas Reid as their pastor in the next few weeks. Rejoice with them and pray that they and Mr. Reid will be able to labor as one for the Kingdom of God.

For various reasons, some of our congregations are experiencing financial difficulties. In 1987, families providing forty percent of the financial support for Aurora moved away. God has blessed them with many new converts and new members, but stewardship has been hard for some to learn. Because of the situation in Colorado Springs, that congregation was allowed to return to Presbytery aid as a new congregation. The Hays congregation has also struggled financially and has keenly felt that struggle in seeking to call a pastor, as has the nearby Quinter Congregation which had six families move away in 1987. Both congregations have been

greatly affected by the recent problems in the farm economy. The Superior-Beulah Congregation continues to receive Presbytery aid in the form of health insurance for their part-time pastor. We rejoice that the Clarinda Congregation has been able to increase their part-time pastoral relationship from half-time to two-thirds time. We are thankful for the financial blessing God has given to many congregations and ask that God would be merciful to these congregations so that the work of the Kingdom would not be hampered by the lack of funds. Pray that the members of each congregation would be good stewards of God's gifts and would learn to give sacrificially.

A judicial commission was appointed during the winter to deal with interpersonal problems in the Shawnee Congregation. These problems first surfaced about a decade ago and have intensified since 1985. We rejoice that God has brought a measure of healing at least on the surface, although we desire more growth so that the congregation will labor as one.

The annual men's retreat was sponsored by the Denison Session, March 25-26, 1988, at Living Water Ranch near Olsburg, Kansas. Over thirty people attended as Dennis Prutow spoke on the theme, **Mission-Minded Men**. Although the Horn Creek Family Conference is not being held this year, the Horse Creek Young People's Conference was held June 20-24 with a near-capacity attendance. Thank God for this interest and pray that God would give wisdom in knowing whether another facility should be used next year.

Four and a half years ago Presbytery was challenged to raise nearly \$18,000 to receive a matching grant by April 1989 for the development of Camp Curry. We rejoice that during this summer, that goal was reached.

We are thankful for those who have come forward as students under the care of the Presbytery. Kelly Moore has announced his intention to accept the call of the Eastvale Congregation and we pray that God would bless his ministry there. Bruce Parnell is preparing for his middler year in Seminary and progress of his work has been noted before the Presbytery this week. Wade Mann was taken under care of the Presbytery in March and has been studying Greek through the summer in preparation for his first seminary year. We are thankful to see some men coming from covenant homes desiring to prepare for the work of the teaching elder.

At the annual meeting of the Presbytery some of the duties of the Home Mission and Church Extension Committee were taken from that Committee, allowing it to concentrate more in the areas of evangelism and church-planting. Since October, the Presbytery has supplied preaching once a month for a group meeting in Stillwater, Oklahoma. We thank God for the zeal of Alan and Liz Noell who have opened their home for this ministry. Pray that they will not be overcome by discouragements and thank God for the McCulloughs who have recently moved to Stillwater and are joining them in these efforts. Recently the David Burke family moved to Wichita where a group of Covenanters have been meeting for

Bible study. Pray for this group and for the Presbytery in seeking God's will in regard to them.

Besides the officers listed with our roster, our representative to the Geneva College Board of Corporators is Ralph Joseph, our Home Mission Board representative is Martin Wilsey, our deacon delegate to this meeting of Synod is Paul Hensleigh, and our travel agent is Donald Reed. All our members are accounted for and our travel fund is paid in full.

Respectfully submitted,  
J. Bruce Martin, Clerk

### **REPORT OF THE OHIO-ILLINOIS PRESBYTERY**

The Ohio-Illinois Presbytery respectfully reports that it has thirteen congregations, one mission church, and one preaching station under its care. The Westminster preaching station in Chicago has now become a mission church as that term is now defined in the new **Directory for Church Government**. Westminster is helping us to develop new approaches and new ideas in church growth. Many of the lessons learned at Westminster will prove useful in building more congregations. New members were added to the Hetherton Congregation, but it was necessary to make the Hetherton Congregation into a preaching station. We need a mature teaching elder with experience working in a rural situation in order to see Hetherton grow again. Ten congregations have settled pastors. Covenant Fellowship of Indianapolis has a stated supply. Ogemaw has called Licentiate Brian Randazzo. Sparta has recently become vacant.

We held one regular meeting and two special meetings of Presbytery since the last meeting of Synod. The regular meeting was April 7 and 8, 1988, at Selma, Alabama. It is a great blessing to us as a Presbytery to see the spiritual life in Selma.

Since the last meeting of Synod, Rev. Thomas Reid has been transferred to Midwest Presbytery to become pastor at Quinter, and Rev. Philip Coon was transferred at his own request to the Atlantic Presbytery. Rev. Fredrick Basil resigned as pastor at Sparta.

There are twenty-two teaching elders whose ministerial credentials are held by Presbytery. We are concerned about the men who are no longer in the pastorate. Of the twelve not in a pastorate, one is involved in rebuilding the work in Chicago, one is serving as a chaplain in the United States Army, one is a stated supply who is working full time, one is retired, one is teaching and counseling, four are in teaching, and three are in other work. The Presbytery is in the process of determining a policy concerning inactive status for men not in the pastorate.

The Presbytery is particularly thankful to report that there are four men under our care as students of theology. Licentiate Brian Randazzo completed his exams for ordination at the Presbytery meeting at this Synod and we look forward to his ordination at the earliest convenient

time. Edwin Blackwood and Barry York began their seminary training this summer. Both men have already received special training in their home congregations in order to prepare them for ministry. John McFarland is under care, and anticipates beginning seminary at a later date.

As of December 31, 1987, there were 728 communicant and 244 baptized members within the Presbytery for a total of 972. This was an increase of 59 from the previous year. The worship attendance was 860, while the Sabbath School attendance was 695. This represents an increase of 39 and 38, respectively, over 1986. Significant also was the fact that 25 baptized members became communicant members during the year, a large increase over the three who had done so the previous year.

New ruling elders who were ordained and/or installed since the last meeting of Synod were Chet Hollars (Covenant Fellowship of Indianapolis), Brent Wells and Butch Shoop (Columbus), and John Mauser (Southside Indianapolis). New deacons who were ordained since the last meeting of Synod were Lena Dixon (Bloomington) and John McFarland (Columbus).

The Presbytery is greatly thankful and encouraged to see the ways in which God is blessing. He caused a net increase of 59 members during 1987, which is a 6.5% increase. There were 32 received by profession of faith. In May elders, pastors and potential elders and pastors met for two days with Dr. Donald MacNair. For the last two years, Dr. MacNair has been helping us as a consultant to the work in Chicago. At this conference he helped us as individual congregations to identify and to focus on the particular purpose for each of our respective congregations. Because of the growth God is bringing and the opportunities He is opening to us, at least four of our congregations are either building or buying larger and more suitable facilities.

An audio-video library has been established. Participating congregations purchase tapes and share them with each other. We see a good spirit and a love for one another within the Presbytery, and we are encouraged. Last year's Covfamikoi Family Conference was greatly beneficial. We had a delightful challenge of a lack of housing due to overflowing attendance. A long range planning committee has been set up to define the purpose and goals God is laying out before this Presbytery. Another committee is planning to improve the process of congregational visitation. A youth leadership team led by Rich Johnston plans youth activities, conferences etc., for youth of the Presbytery throughout the year. The Presbytery is very thankful for the enthusiasm and wisdom of Rich and others in their leadership of youth in the Presbytery. An adherent of one of our congregations is in Mexico City this summer as a short-term missionary, two are in India, and one in Taiwan. Three more families have recently moved to Chicago to help in the new ministry there. Three men are looking forward to a short term overseas in missions in October of next year.

Keith Magill is our Home Mission Board representative, William Finley is our representative to the The Geneva College Board of Corporators, and Brent Wells is our RPM&M program representative. Our travel agent for this meeting of Synod is Dwight Adams.

We covet the prayers of Synod and God's people: (a) that the new people being reached in Chicago will become enthusiastic and loyal members of the Westminster Mission Church and that Westminster will become a fully organized congregation soon; (b) that pastors, elders and congregations which are not growing may not become discouraged, but steadfastly abound in the work of the Lord; (c) that the Presbytery develop a clear understanding of God's call to us; (d) that God will keep on giving the people the will to do the work of the ministry.

Respectfully submitted,  
William Roberts, Clerk

### **REPORT OF THE PACIFIC COAST PRESBYTERY**

The Pacific Coast Presbytery held its annual meeting in Los Angeles, California, on February 19 and 20, 1988, and a meeting in connection with the meeting of Synod at Carleton College in Northfield, Minnesota, on August 5, 1988.

There are now five congregations under our care: Seattle, Fresno, Los Angeles, San Diego and Phoenix. The pastors of the congregations are: Donald Piper, Timothy McCracken, James Carson, J. Edward Pitts and Paul Martin.

The San Diego congregation was without a pastor from June 30, 1986, until Rev. Pitts accepted their call and was installed on January 16, 1988. The Fresno Congregation was being served by Rev. Robert McMillan as Stated Supply when the congregation made a call to Timothy McCracken, a senior seminary student. Mr. McCracken accepted the call. After graduation from the Seminary and licensure by the Presbytery of the Alleghenies, he and his wife Lori came to Fresno where he was ordained and installed as the pastor of the Fresno, California, congregation on July 8, 1988.

There have been reasons for discouragement within the Presbytery.

The congregation in Anchorage, Alaska, which was heavily supported by the Home Mission Board and the Pacific Coast Presbytery, was disorganized when their pastor accepted a call to Lawrence, Kansas, and there were no elders to carry on the work of the congregation, which had dwindled to a few members.

The Santa Ana, California, congregation was disorganized after many attempts at outreach in the area, their final effort being with the Billy Graham Campaign in which many members took an active part. There was no evidence of any success in their outreach. The Presbytery is seek-

ing a minister with church building gifts and the former members are hoping that a new work can be established in the Orange County, California, area within five years.

A problem arose in the Phoenix congregation for which a special commission of Presbytery was appointed to examine the matter. A few families were lost and about half of the students were lost from the Christian school, which several members of the congregation had established. Pray for this congregation that love and forgiveness will be evident.

Though there were areas of discouragement, there were also many areas of encouragement.

The Presbytery is encouraged by the fact that the former members of the Santa Ana congregation are anxious for a new work to commence in their area.

There is encouragement by the show of support for the pastor by the Phoenix congregation and the evidence of a desire to rebuild.

There is encouragement in the work of outreach in the area of the Los Angeles church through Bible studies, teaching of English as a second language, and visitation in the neighborhood, especially among the Spanish-speaking peoples.

There is encouragement in the fact that all of our congregations have fulltime pastors.

There are five ministerial members who are presently members of congregations of the Presbytery or are in the process of having their membership established in congregations: Dr. Charles Chao continues his work with the Reformation Translation Fellowship; Rev. Philip Martin is retired and is serving on the session of the Phoenix congregation; Rev. Donald Weilersbacher is continuing to live in the San Diego area and is in non-pastoral employment; and Glenn McFarland has accepted the position of Principal of a Christian school which meets in an Orthodox Presbyterian Church in Carson, California, though he continues to live in Orange County, California. Robert McMillan is retired and is living in Fresno, California.

Donald Piper is our representative on the Board of Home Missions. Timothy McCracken is our representative on the Board of Corporators of Geneva College.

Respectfully submitted,  
Lewis C. Keys, Clerk

#### REPORT OF THE ST. LAWRENCE PRESBYTERY

The St. Lawrence Presbytery has had four meetings: one at Grand Rapids, Michigan, June 15, 1987, one at Rochester, New York, October 13, 1987, one at Ottawa, Ontario, March 8, 1988, and one at Perth, Ontario, June 24, 1988.

The highlight of the year was on June 24, 1988, when a large crowd gathered with the Presbytery for the organization of a new congregation in Perth, Ontario, with 28 communicant and 11 baptized members. Dr. Christian Adjemian was ordained and installed pastor of the congregation, and Dr. John Coombs was installed as elder. It is of special interest that both of these men and their families were brought to faith in Christ through the ministry of the Ottawa Congregation. Dr. Adjemian was the first student trained in the Ottawa Theological Hall to be installed as pastor in a Reformed Presbyterian congregation. Special thanks are due to Dr. Richard Ganz for his ministry in the establishment of the work in Perth.

Plans are being made for Dr. Adjemian to begin a Bible Study this fall with a group of interested people in Kingston, a university city with over sixty thousand people, located about forty miles from Perth at the east end of Lake Ontario.

The organization of the Perth Congregation brings the number of congregations to ten, up from five in the last nine years. Eight of the congregations have settled pastors, the Rochester Congregation has a stated supply, and the Lochiel Congregation is without a pastor.

Of the five new congregations, Ottawa became self-supporting three years ago, Oswego is scheduled to be self-supporting next year, Perth will begin to receive support next year, and Rochester and Endwell continue to need support. Endwell has received a setback with the loss of some families. Rochester has been encouraged with the coming of a fulltime minister and the transfer of the Glovier family and David Robinson into the congregation.

The Lochiel Congregation lost one family a few months ago and the future of the congregation is presently under consideration.

There are twelve ministers in the Presbytery, eight of whom are pastors of congregations. William Pihl was appointed stated supply of the Rochester Congregation effective July 1, 1987. Charles Leach is serving with the Foreign Mission Board in Japan. Carter Rowe was placed under suspension on March 8, 1988.

The total membership of the Presbytery increased by thirty this past year, bringing the total to 501, and continuing the upward trend since 1977 when the membership was 283.

Ottawa Theological Hall has completed six years of operation and there is promise of seven or eight students for this fall, over half of which are Reformed Presbyterians. The seventh Convocation and second graduation will be held September 6, with Professor Edward Donnelly as the speaker and Dr. Christian Adjemian receiving his diploma.

Andrew K. Schep and Ian G. Speirs are students under the care of the Presbytery.

The Presbytery is involved in two summer conferences. The White Lake Family Camp will be held August 15-23 in conjunction with the Atlantic Presbytery. St. Lawrence Family Camp will be September 2-5 at

Echo Lake near Parham, Ontario. This new location proved very popular last year, and there was a record attendance.

The officers of our Presbytery are: Moderator, Walter Swartz; Clerk, Kenneth McBurney; Treasurer, Paul Finley; representative to the Board of Corporators of Geneva College, Paul Finley; representative on the Board of Home Missions, Walter Swartz. The statistical report has been forwarded to the Stated Clerk, our members are accounted for and our Travel Fund is paid. Paul Finley is our Travel Agent.

The Presbytery requests that William Edgar be heard on behalf of the Ottawa Theological Hall.

Respectfully submitted,  
Kenneth A. McBurney, Clerk

#### REPORT OF THE JAPAN COMMISSION

The Japan Commission respectfully submits the following report to the One Hundred and Fifty-Ninth Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America. Thanks be to Christ our King for encouraging His people and for advancing His kingdom in the midst of spiritual assaults and much physical weakness during the past year.

The following men have served on the Japan Commission since the last meeting of Synod: Teaching elders--Toshio Masunaga, Nobuo Miwa, Shigeru Takiura, Charles Leach, Gene Spear, E. Raymond Hemphill (during Mr. Sterrett's furlough, from August 1987 to June 1988), and William Sterrett (until July 1987 and after June 21, 1988); Ruling elders--Kiyoshi Kojima, Yoshio Nitta, and Toshio Shinoda. Mr. Shieki Komuro has attended meetings as an observer. Mr. Miwa resigned his pastoral office at Kasumigaoka on February 21, 1988, in order to pursue further theological studies in Korea. Mr. Sterrett returned from furlough on June 21, 1988.

The Japan Commission continues to oversee the work of three organized congregations (Higashi-Suma, Kasumigaoka, and Keiyaku), three mission churches (Kitasuzurandai, Mukonoso, and Yokoh), and outreach work in Gakuen Toshi and Kasuganomichi.

We thank God for His mercy in sparing the life of Pastor Youn at the time of his motorcycle accident in August 1987 and for restoring him to health and strength in his ministry.

During the past year the following matters and activities were undertaken by the Japan Commission:

1. The Young People's Conference was held at Ayabe Seminar House on August 12-14. Professor Park of the Korean Bible Theological College spoke on the theme of "Christians in a Non-Christian World."
2. The Fall All-Church Conference was held at the Kobe Reformed Seminary on September 23. The speaker was Mrs. Kazuko Enomoto, and the theme was "Salvation of the Whole Family."

3. The annual Christmas Psalm Program was held at the Suma Residents' Center on December 19, presenting "The Life of Christ in the Psalms" and promoting fellowship among members of all the churches.
4. Seminary graduate Shigeki Komuro was taken under care of the Japan Commission as a candidate for licensure. He was employed by the Japan Commission for July-August to assist with summer evangelistic programs, and from September 1987-June 1988, was employed by the Kitasuzurandai Mission Church to help Pastor Hemphill with church activities, including preaching and interpreting. Mr. Komuro is proceeding to complete his assignments and to prepare for his licensure examination in the Fall of 1988.
5. By the grace of God the worship services at Yokoh were continued throughout the period of Pastor Youn's hospitalization and recuperation, with preaching supplied by Pastors Hemphill and Leach and others. The outreach work at Kasuganomichi was also continued, but the anticipated ministry among Korean residents in the area has not developed. Pastor Youn has been carrying a full work load again since February 1988.
6. The Japan Commission organized a memorial fund to honor the name of Grace Boyle who served faithfully in Japan for many years.
7. Outreach work in the Gakuen Toshi area of West Kobe was continued by Pastor Leach in consultation with a Gakuen Toshi Evangelism Committee. Classes are now being held in the new YMCA building, and a monthly worship service at the Sakai Medical Clinic was begun in July 1987 and has been well attended by earnest inquirers.
8. The Kasumigaoka Church has received special attention counsel, and prayer by the Japan Commission following Pastor Miwa's report in July 1987 of his desire to study in Korea and his later announcement in September 1987 of his intent to resign his pastorate. While the congregation considers calling a new pastor, Mr. Leach has been appointed to serve as temporary Moderator of the Kasumigaoka Session.
9. Pastor Masunaga was appointed delegate to the 1988 Synod meeting at Carleton College. A contingent of Japanese church members will also be attending the Carleton Conference this year.
10. The Japan Commission was represented by its fraternal delegate at the Synod of the Reformed Church of Japan in October 1987.
11. A Young People's Prayer Meeting has been sponsored by the Commission on the first Lord's Day of each month.
12. Congregations are encouraged to be informed about one another's needs and to intercede for each other by the prayer letter—UInori no Wa—U compiled and published by the Japan Commission every other month. Elder Nitta continues to take charge of its publication.
13. The Japan Commission acknowledges with deep gratitude the devoted labors and fruitful ministry performed on behalf of the Japanese

church by Pastor and Mrs. E. Raymond Hemphill from July 1987 to June 1988.

The officers of the Japan Commission for 1988 are: Moderator, Shigeru Takiura; Clerks, Toshio Masunaga and Charles Leach; Treasurer, Yoshio Nitta; Auditor, Toshio Shinoda. Minutes of the Sessions were examined and found to be in order. The statistical report was forwarded to the Stated Clerk of Synod.

Respectfully submitted,  
Charles W. Leach, Clerk

**MONDAY, AUGUST 8, 1988, 7:30 A.M.**

Synod met pursuant to adjournment at Olin Hall, Carleton College, Northfield, Minnesota, on August 8, 1988, at 7:30 a.m.

**The Court was constituted in prayer by Dean Smith.**

**The Roll was noted.**

The Court was led in devotions by Stanley Copeland. The Court sang from Psalm 91 A. William Pihl read God's Word from Habakkuk 3 after which Mr. Copeland spoke on the passage. The Court sang again from Psalm 91 A. After a time of prayer the devotions were concluded.

**The following papers were presented to the Court:**

**Paper 88-6 concerning the joining in membership of pastors and other teaching elders in the local congregation was referred to the Judicial Committee.**

**Paper 88-7 concerning the matter of male/female relations was referred to a committee of Wayne Spear, Renwick Wright and Philip Pockras to bring into Synod a recommendation about what should be done with the paper.**

**Paper 88-8 concerning the matter of opposing the practice of abortion during the meeting of concurrent synod/assembly (with the Orthodox Presbyterian Church) in 1989 was adopted and is as follows:**

**Resolved:**

1. That at next year's meeting of Synod we set aside one afternoon to protest the wickedness of abortion by picketing for two hours at Pittsburgh's leading abortion center;
2. That we invite the Orthodox Presbyterian Church's General Assembly to join with us in picketing;

3. That the Beaver Falls and Pittsburgh Reformed Presbyterian Churches be asked to make the necessary signs and banners for the picketing;
4. That we appoint an organizing committee of Bruce Stewart, Kenneth Smith and John White, Chairman from the Presbytery of the Alleghenies, and that the same committee arrange for as much local and national media publicity as possible for this first-ever protest by the total leadership of two denominations;
5. That the rule of Jesus Christ over the United States be acknowledged in a prepared media statement as the motivating dynamic of our protest;
6. That we publicly and insistently call on the national Synods, General Assemblies, Conventions and Conferences of all other Christian Churches to follow an example in likewise protesting the evil of abortion at sites near the locations of their annual meetings in 1989 and beyond until the United States again protects the life of the unborn human beings living within its borders;
7. That Synod's Moderator read this resolution at the beginning of the Carleton International Family Conference general meeting at 7 p.m., Monday, August 8, 1988.

Respectfully submitted,  
Randall VanOsdol  
William J. Edgar  
Richard Ganz

**The Minutes were read, amended and adopted.**

**The Report of the Committee to handle paper 88-7 was read and adopted and is as follows:** Your Committee recommends that the Synod appoint a special committee of five to study the Scriptures with regard to the role and service of women and report to the 1989 meeting of Synod.

Respectfully submitted,  
J. Renwick Wright  
Wayne R. Spear  
Philip H. Pockras

**The Nominating Committee presented the ballot for final nominations.**

**Wayne Spear presented the Report of the Board of Corporators of Geneva College. Items 1 and 2 were adopted. Item 3 was referred to the Nominating Committee. In keeping with Item 2 Joseph McFarland, President of Geneva College, addressed the Court. The Report of the Board of Corporators was adopted and is as follows:**

## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF CORPORATORS OF GENEVA COLLEGE

The Board of Corporators of Geneva College expresses its praise and gratitude to the triune God for His sovereign grace, care, and provision in the life and ministry of Geneva College throughout this past year.

The Board held its regular annual meeting on August 5, 1988, at the Carleton Conference, Carleton College, Northfield, Minnesota.

Dr. Joseph McFarland, the President of Geneva College, and Dr. Kenneth G. Smith, Chairman of the Board of Trustees of Geneva College, addressed the Board. Dr. McFarland reported that the past year was a great year at Geneva, except for the need to freeze salaries for 1988. The Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools has once again affirmed accreditation for Geneva. This followed an extensive Self Study conducted by the College and a visit from an Evaluation Team. It was further reported that thirty-three congregations are participating in the Church Scholarship Program.

The Corporators expressed a standing vote of thanks to Kenneth G. Smith for his service as Chairman of the Board of Trustees.

The Board of Corporators also went on record to express its thanks to Jean Hemphill for her dedicated service as secretary of the Board of Trustees.

The following persons were elected by the Board of Corporators to the Board of Trustees in the Class of 1991: Representing the Reformed Presbyterian Church: Roy Blackwood, Jr., James D. Carson, Joyce Lynn, Donald R. McBurney, J. Paul McCracken, Bruce C. Stewart, John H. Tweed; representing the Alumni Association: Robert Brandt, Wayne S. Luce; nominated by the Board of Trustees: Andrew Marcinko, Willard Rockwell.

The following were elected to the Board of Corporators in the Class of 1991: Robert Baumgartner, Douglas Carson, A. Wayne Duffield and William Weir.

The following were elected as officers of the Board of Corporators: Chairman, Wayne R. Spear; Vice-Chairman, Robert Baumgartner; Secretary, A. Wayne Duffield; and Treasurer Douglas Carson.

One of the major concerns of the Board of Corporators is the selection of qualified trustees. A Search Committee, consisting of the President of the College, the Chairman of the Board of Corporators and the Chairman of the Board of Trustees, is now operating to interview potential trustees and make recommendations. Names of qualified persons may be given to a member of the Committee.

### Recommendations:

1. That the Report of the Board of Trustees be received.
2. That Dr. Joseph McFarland be heard on behalf of Geneva College.

3. That John H. Tweed be elected by the Synod to the Board of Corporators.

Respectfully submitted,  
A. Wayne Duffield, Secretary

**The Report of the Board of Trustees of Geneva College was received as an item of the Report of the Board of Corporators of Geneva College. The Report is as follows:**

### **REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF GENEVA COLLEGE**

As we submit this report for the academic year 1987-88, we are very conscious of God's blessing upon Geneva College throughout its long history. The 140th anniversary of the founding of Geneva College in Northwood, Ohio, was celebrated on April 20, 1988, in the newly decorated lobby of Old Main.

Much evidence removes all doubt about the challenge of today's higher educational task. Geneva College does not experience immunity from these opportunities and pressures, but recognizes that it is into this kind of world our graduates go. We, therefore, seek to look upon these phenomena as symptomatic of the challenges facing all citizens of Christ's Kingdom. And we pray for grace to enjoy His blessing on our task. Our report which follows will capsulize significant information by which that state of the College over the past year can be assessed.

This year marks the introduction of the Master of Arts program in Professional Psychology. Sixteen full-time equivalent students were enrolled in the beginning semester.

Approval has been granted to initiate a Degree Completion Program which would involve persons over 25 years of age and who already have two years of formal education. It will be primarily a night program with Saturday morning seminars and will culminate in a Human Resources major.

The Academic Affairs Committee held a retreat on May 12, for the purpose of exploring in greater detail than is possible in the regular meetings, to pursue the President's desire to see the academic status of Geneva improved in excellence and enhance its reputation for such. A follow-up retreat will continue this pursuit this coming fall.

The first semester enrollment was 940 full-time and 95 part-time students; in the second semester there were 909 full-time and 95 part-time students. The decreasing enrollment is a matter of concern and the Board has supported the Administration's efforts to strengthen the College's recruitment efforts.

Trustee scholarship recipients for 1987-88 were Ronald Baum, Susan Hartman, Judy Knapp and Carole Smith.

As anticipated, an Evaluation Team representing the Commission on Higher Education of the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools visited the College on April 4-6, 1988. Their initial report did not identify any significant problems that had not already been described in the College's own Self-Study Report submitted to them in advance. It was no surprise, therefore, to receive information indicating that our accreditation has once again been confirmed. We are grateful and express deep appreciation to the College staff who did such excellent preparation.

A Strategic Task Force composed of the President's Cabinet, five members of the faculty, the President of the Student Senate, and three trustees has begun work. The Task Force is charged with making recommendations to the President regarding institutional priorities, both short and long, related to the issues of financial planning and matters related to institutional strategic planning.

The operating budget adopted for 1987-88 showed Total General Fund Revenue of \$11,351,950.00, and Total General Fund Expenditures/Transfers of \$11,351,665.00. The contributed income to the operating budget was \$489,266.00, of which \$273,315.00 were state grants. It is anticipated that the fiscal year ending May 31, 1988, will be completed with a balanced budget, however the cash reserves continue to decrease. It is of concern that in view of the current financial situation it was not possible to grant any salary increases in 1988. The Board does view this as a priority item and in future planning will make every possible effort to upgrade faculty salaries so that they are commensurate with the individual's qualifications and responsibilities. We have fallen somewhat behind our standard to maintain salaries at least in a median range with similar institutions, and it is our intent to bring these remunerations into line.

As of May 31, 1988, the Catalyst for Growth campaign has reached a total of \$6,736,842.00 in cash and pledges toward a base goal of \$8 million. Thirty-three congregations have joined in the Reformed Presbyterian Partnership of the campaign and have made pledges in the amount of \$135,918.00

Construction work is proceeding on the addition to Metheny Field House. The contractor is Wm. Johns Construction Co. of Aliquippa. Because the bids for the proposed addition exceeded the approved \$1,000,000.00, it was decided to proceed with plans to enclose the square footage originally proposed, but leave the shower and racquetball areas unfinished. However, before construction was begun Dr. and Mrs. Clair Merriman provided a generous gift so that these projects could be included in the plans for the building that is now under construction. It is hoped that the building will be ready for use by the second semester of the 1988-89 school year. In recognition of Dr. and Mrs. Merriman's generosity the Board has named the gymnasium in the fieldhouse addition "The Merriman Gym."

Through a grant of \$50,000.00 from Eden Hall Foundation some physical improvements will be made in the Biology laboratories this summer. Buhl Foundation has pledged a gift of \$150,000.00 for improving the library holdings.

The Board Self-Study was completed and the results were a basis of Board evaluation at the May 12, 1988, meeting. In general the study affirmed the present practices of the Board, and it would be accurate to state that the Trustees are demonstrating an increasing proficiency in exercising Board responsibility.

In line with our original arrangements with Dr. McFarland, a Presidential Assessment was conducted by the Board during the past winter. The practice was new to the Board and, therefore, fell somewhat short of hopes for strengthening the President. However, the Board committed itself to continue the practice at periodic intervals, and expressed appreciation to Dr. McFarland for the way he has conducted the affairs of the College since his inauguration.

Work is progressing on a Board Policy Handbook. It is now the intent to prepare two documents: (1) a compilation of policies, procedures and precedents gleaned from Board Minutes from 1960 to the present, and (2) a conventional guide for trusteeship - a philosophical piece that will aid Trustees in understanding their role and responsibility.

Board officers for 1987-88 have been Kenneth G. Smith, Chairman; Wendell F. McBurney, Vice-Chairman; and Jean L. Hemphill, Secretary. Meetings of the Board were held on October 16, 1987, January 29, 1988, and May 13, 1988. New officers for the coming year to take effect in October and subject to trustee appointments are: Joseph Lamont, Jr., Chairman; Wendell F. McBurney, Vice-Chairman; and Joyce Lynn, Secretary. Mrs. Hemphill has served as Secretary of the Board for the past twenty years; Kenneth Smith completes seven years as Chairman.

Tuition for the 1988-89 school term has been set at \$5,920.00; Room and Board will be \$3,010.00 and the College Fee \$260.00, making the total charges for resident students, \$9,180.00. While it would be most desirable to see these numbers decline rather than escalate, our charges compare favorably with most other colleges like ours. In fact, ours would be below average.

The values of the College property and endowment fund are:

	1986	1987
	(Audit of 5/31/86)	(Audit of 5/31/87)
Land	\$ 1,613,500	\$ 1,613,500
Buildings	36,634,673	36,858,095
Equipment and Furnishings	4,553,773	4,766,867
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	\$42,801,946	\$43,237,867
Market Value of Endowment	\$10,757,320	\$11,727,292
Size of Campus	(112.208 acres)	(112.208 acres)

The 1988 Commencement exercises were held in Reeves Stadium on Saturday, May 14, at which time Senator Mark Hatfield delivered the address. The Baccalaureate service was held on Friday evening, May 13, and the speaker was Mr. Hollis Haff. Two hundred fifty-six students were graduated at the 1988 Commencement exercises; 250 received bachelor's degrees and six received associate degrees.

The honorary degree of Doctor of Public Service was conferred on Senator Hatfield at the Commencement exercises.

The terms of the following Trustees expire this year and their successors should be chosen: Representing the Church: Roy Blackwood, Jr., James Carson, Joyce Lynn, Donald McBurney, J. Paul McCracken, Bruce C. Stewart, John H. Tweed; representing the Alumni: Robert Brandt, Wayne Luce; Trustee Nominated: Willard Rockwell, III, Lumley Wilson.

Lumly Wilson, having served several terms, expressed appreciation for the opportunity to serve as a college trustee and then asked not to be renominated. We continue to hold certain vacancies until the Search Team can make recommendations in line with broadening our base while strengthening our Christian commitments.

Kenneth G. Smith has been appointed to represent the College before Synod's Finance Committee, and the request to Synod is for \$50,000.00 and half the income from the Cecil MacLaughlin Trust.

In connection with our report to the Synod we would respectfully request that Dr. Joseph McFarland be granted the opportunity to address the Synod on behalf of Geneva College.

Respectfully submitted,  
Kenneth G. Smith, Chairman  
Jean L. Hemphill, Secretary

**Jerry O'Neill presented the Report of the Board of Trustees of Synod. Item 1 was referred to the Nominating Committee. Items 2-5 were referred to the Committee on Finance. The Report as a whole was adopted and is as follows:**

#### **REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF SYNOD**

Oh give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; For His lovingkindness is everlasting. Psalm 107:1

The Trustees of the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America held three regularly scheduled meetings since the last meeting of Synod, with 100% attendance at each meeting.

The members of the Trustees of Synod are:

Class of 1988: Donald Birdsall, Louis Hutmire, Joseph Lamont, Jr.

Class of 1989: John P. Edgar, John Mitchel, Jerry O'Neill

Class of 1990: Samuel Chestnut, Steven McMahan, Alan Windham

The terms of the three members in the Class of 1988 expire at this meeting of Synod. Donald Birdsall is not eligible for re-election because of Synod's "two-term rule", Louis Hutmire, the Denominational Treasurer, is exempt from the "two-term rule" (see **1985 Minutes of Synod**, p. 84) and Joseph Lamont has only served for one term. The Trustees are therefore recommending that Louis Hutmire and Joseph Lamont be renominated.

The Trustees of Synod continue to invest the funds of the denomination which include endowment funds, unrestricted designated funds, custodian funds, trust funds and unrestricted undesigned funds. A listing of our investments can be found in the Audit Report which will be distributed at Synod. For those who do not attend Synod, the Audit Report will be printed in the **Minutes of Synod**. We know that you are concerned with what happened to our investments in 1987, considering the decline on Wall Street. Our portfolio of investments started 1987 with a market value of \$7,547,501 and we ended 1987 with a market value of \$7,195,544.

The unit value of our pooled investments at the end of 1986 was \$9.29216 and at the end of 1987 was \$9.28285, so we lost about one cent per unit. On the bright side, we sold some issues prior to October, so we posted some realized gains for the year. Also, our dividend paid on investments was up from 39.89 cents per unit in 1986 to 41.42 cents per unit in 1987. So, it appears that the Lord has carried us through the rough waters, and we look forward to an even better year in 1988.

We also invest in mortgages and last year reported on our new program, the Special Investment Pool program, whereby we agreed to invest up to a certain portion of our investments in organizations and businesses that have a "Kingdom" orientation in their ownership and/or purpose. In 1987, we invested in three new S.I.P. loans that totalled \$63,000. We also granted regular loans to two employees of Synod and one pastor. In 1988, we have agreed to grant loans to two more pastors and also to loan Geneva College up to \$500,000 for an addition to the Fieldhouse. This loan is to be repaid within ten years.

Other loans for which the Trustees are responsible come under the Building Loan Fund. This is a special fund set up by Synod to make low cost loans to congregations, presbyteries, missions groups, boards of Synod, pastors and full-time employees of Synod (see **1979 Minutes**, p. 170-173 for details). In 1987, we granted three new loans under this program to congregations in Fresno, California, State College, Pennsylvania, and Westminster, Colorado, totalling \$98,475. In addition, we sold the Lake Reno Church Property and have a mortgage receivable of \$22,000. On December 31, 1987, we had loans to individuals of \$98,452, to congregations and boards of \$321,169 and loans from the sale of church properties of \$45,238, for a grand total of \$464,859. In addition, there was \$63,822 available for new loans.

The Trustees through their Stewardship Committee promote and receive contributions for Synod's Reformed Presbyterian Mission & Ministry program (R.P.M. & M.). The following chart shows what has happened in the last few years:

**REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN MISSION & MINISTRY**

	1985	1986	1987	1988
Budget: Contributions	\$315,000	\$330,000	\$333,000	\$300,000
Undesignated Funds	50,000	100,00	100,000	50,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>365,000</b>	<b>430,000</b>	<b>433,000</b>	<b>350,000</b>
Actual Receipts:				
Congregations	237,805	229,427	242,462	
Synodical	29,116	26,708	25,840	
Other	17,651	5,221	6,165	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>284,572</b>	<b>261,356</b>	<b>274,467</b>	
Undesignated Funds	50,000	100,000	100,000	
Total Receipts	334,572	361,356	374,467	
Ending Balance	(\$30,428)	(\$68,644)	(\$58,533)	

Please note that we received \$274,467 for R.P.M. & M. in 1987 which was \$13,000 better than 1986 but \$10,000 less than was received in 1985. Also note that we have a deficit of \$58,533 as of the end of 1987. Last year we had a deficit of \$68,644, which was made up from Unrestricted Undesignated Funds of Synod. This expenditure depleted the Unrestricted Undesignated funds to the point that we could only budget \$50,000 for R.P.M. & M. in 1988, so we are only distributing \$350,000 to the boards this year, compared to \$433,000 in 1987, which is about a 20% cut. The boards may survive a cut like this but surely cannot carry out all the work they would like to do. Since our main source of contributions is through the congregations, we hope that each congregation will consider what their contribution should be and strive to contribute accordingly.

In past years, we have had money available in the Unrestricted Funds of Synod which could be used to offset the deficit in the R.P.M. & M. fund. Attached is a report on the Unrestricted Undesignated Funds. As you can see by the 1988 Proposed Revised column, if no other unforeseen money comes in, there is no money available to pay the \$58,533 R.P.M. & M. deficit of 1987. We will give a further update of this situation at Synod.

The debt mentioned above is an example of why people should remember Synod in their wills, if possible. Bequests are one way of providing funds to meet the current needs of each board or committee of Synod. In 1987, we received bequests from the estates of: Ina P. Dudley, Colorado; Anna M. Johnston, California; Cecil J. MacLaughlin, California; Lillie Balph, Pennsylvania; Margaret Redpath, Pennsylvania; Dollie Johnson,

Colorado; Rhoda Beatty, Pennsylvania; Claire Harsh, Florida; and Katherine Marshall, California. \$13,600 was designated for the Foreign Mission Board, \$11,045.59 was designated for the Home Mission Board, \$83,015.71 was undesignated, for a total of \$126,608.73. The designated amounts went directly to the designated department and are included in their financial reports. The undesignated amounts are listed to the Unrestricted Undesignated Funds report which is attached to this report.

The Trustees of Synod, on behalf of the Foreign Mission Board continue to hold assets totalling about \$450,000 on the Island of Cyprus. The Cypriot government controls the funds and restricts the amount of money allowed to be taken out of Cyprus. There have been efforts to get more money out of Cyprus, and the Central Bank of Cyprus has agreed to let us take all interest plus one-fifth of the cash balance at the end of each year off the island. This seems to be a step in the right direction, but we have not yet succeeded in getting the amount of money the above ruling would have us receive. We continue to work on this as the Foreign Mission Board is relying on these funds for their budget.

The Trustees of Synod continue to carry a blanket travel accident (not sickness) insurance policy which covers anyone traveling on church business for Synod or Presbytery, including committee meetings. This policy is expanded in a national conference year to include all those registered with the conference from the time they leave home until they return home. This policy pays up to \$15,000 for costs that are in excess of your current coverage. Please contact the Denominational Treasurer's office for details.

The Trustees of Synod continue to operate a Blue Cross/Blue Shield Insurance group plan. It is available to all full-time employees of the denomination and congregations. Further information is available at the Denominational Treasurer's office.

We also continue to offer a moving service from Weleski Transfer, Inc., which offers a group rate. Some information is available in our annual report from last year. For further information, contact the Denominational Treasurer's office.

The 1987 financial records were audited by Deloitte Haskins & Sells. Their report will be distributed at the meeting of Synod.

Synod's Paper 87-6 from Robert Fullerton regarding Building Loan Mortgages to retired pastors was referred to the Trustees of Synod by the 1987 Synod (**1987 Minutes of Synod**, page 44). This paper has been discussed by the Board and has been referred to a committee for further consideration. The Trustees of Synod hope to give a full report on this paper at the 1989 Synod.

## RECOMMENDATIONS

1. We recommend that John T. Duke, Mrs. Shirley McMillan, Louis D. Hutmire and Joseph Lamont, Jr. be nominated for the Board of Trustees of Synod.

2. We recommend that the 1987 Treasurer's Report be received for information.
3. We recommend that the 1987 Audit Report be accepted as distributed and printed in the **Minutes of Synod**.
4. We recommend that the Proposed 1989 Budget for the Unallocated Denominational Office Expense be approved, which includes the salary for the Denominational Treasurer.
5. We recommend that the Report on Unrestricted Undesignated Funds be received.

**Robert Catloth** presented the Report of the Board of Pension Trustees. Items 1-3 were adopted. Items 4-6 was referred to the Committee on Finance. Items 7 and 8 were referred to the Nominating Committee. Items 9 and 10 were adopted. In fulfillment of item 10 the Court rose and was led in prayer by Robert Hemphill. The Report as a whole was adopted. The Pension Trustees were instructed to consider the inclusion of a lump-sum statement in the Plan B and to make changes that allow the Plan to be based on highest incomes during service rather than merely the last years of service. The Report is as follows:

#### **REPORT OF THE PENSION TRUSTEES**

For it is written, "How beautiful on the mountains are the feet of those who bring good news, who proclaim peace, who bring good tidings, who proclaim salvation, who say to Zion, 'Your God reigns!' Listen! Your watchmen lift up their voices; together they shout for joy. When the Lord returns to Zion, they will see it with their own eyes. Burst into songs of joy together, you ruins of Jerusalem, for the Lord has comforted his people, he has redeemed Jerusalem. The Lord will lay bare his holy arm in sight of all the nations, and all the ends of the earth will see the salvation of our God." Isaiah 52:7-10.

1987 has been a busy year for the Trustees. We continue to meet twice a year [spring and fall] at the Shawnee R.P Church building.

The officers of the Trustees are: Chairman, Edmund Schisler; Vice-Chairman, Paul Finley; Secretary, Robert Catloth, and Treasurer, Lou Hutmire.

All correspondence should be mailed to the Secretary at 717 Mississippi Street, Lawrence, KS 66044.

We want to remind the Presbyteries [clerks] of the need to inform the Pension Trustees [secretary] of action taken by the Presbyteries of licensures, ordinations, installations and changes from active to inactive service. This information is needed for term insurance and/or pension purposes.

## CONSTITUTION

The Trustees are recommending a Constitution for the Pension Trustees to the Synod. The parts of the Constitution are: Name; Function; Structure [membership, officers, meetings, organization and executive committee]; Funds; Amendments; and Scriptural basis for the work of the Pension Trustees. [See Exhibit A]

## CONTRIBUTIONS

The Trustees are recommending that Plan B be upgraded by having current employers [as defined by Plan B] contribute a minimum contribution rate of \$600 for each participant beginning in 1989. The amount is to be forwarded by the congregational treasurer to the denominational treasurer quarterly [4 x \$150], which will be credited to their respective employees' account. [See Exhibit B for Plan B upgrading.]

## ASSESSMENTS

Congregational treasurers are to forward \$12.00 per communicant member, based on their membership as of the 31st day of December 1988, to the denominational treasurer's office. This amount is to be paid in quarterly installments. This assessment is received into the General Account of the Pension Trustees.

## BENEFITS

As of 1-1-88 pensions for Plan A [those over 54 years of age as of January 1, 1974] are being paid to eighteen [18] couples and twenty-two [22] singles. Couples are receiving up to \$290 per month, and singles are receiving up to \$250 per month. In 1987 we paid out a total of \$109,954, and in 1988 we estimate we will pay out a total of \$122,000.

In 1987 one participant's spouse continued to receive benefits under Plan B. Two other participants are receiving monthly annuities.

## AUDITOR'S REPORT

The auditor's report for Plan B, as of the 31st day of December, 1987, has been received, and copies are available from the treasurer.

Plan A has an unfunded liability, as noted in the auditor's opinion of the Trustees of Synod Auditor's Report as of 12-31-87. Assets for this liability held by Synod's Trustees as of 12-31-87 are \$361,766.

The Trustees received an actuarial report of Plan A as of January 1, 1987. The purpose of this valuation was to determine the current funded status of the plan. Under their Summary of Valuations Results the actuary calculated the present value of future benefits payable from the plan using two interest assumptions 7% and 9% interest per annum. The fund status under each assumption was:

	7%	9%
Present value of future benefits	\$805,615	\$724,215
Market value of assets	<u>361,766</u>	<u>361,766</u>
Unfunded present value of future benefits [1-2]	443,849	362,449

The Report of the Actuarial Valuation as of January 1, 1987 ends with the following:

“Due to the immediate nature of the liabilities of the plan, it is our recommendation that the Synod continue funding on at least the \$45,000 annual level. In addition, periodic valuations to update the plan’s funded status based on actual investment and mortality experience should be completed to insure that assets will be available to fund promised benefits.”

To comply with this recommendation of the study, the Trustees increased the annual contribution to \$45,000 in 1987 as shown by its treasurer’s report by a transfer from the current account to the Pension Plan A account, and will continue to make such transfer each year to meet the unfunded liability.

For each \$10 per month increase for those under Plan A it increases pension cost by \$5,000.

#### PLAN B AMENDMENTS

The Pension Trustees recommend to Synod the following summary of changes to the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America Employees’ Restated Plan:

#### SUMMARY OF THE CHANGES CONTAINED IN AMENDMENT NO. FOUR TO THE SYNOD OF THE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NORTH AMERICA EMPLOYEE’S RESTATED PENSION PLAN

[A] Section 13.03, which is part of the TEFRA top-heavy provisions, is amended to properly define “compensation.”

[B] Section 13.04, which is part of the TEFRA top-heavy provisions, is amended to properly incorporate the reference to the Internal Revenue Code.

[C] Section 13.05, which is part of the TEFRA top-heavy provisions, is amended to properly define the required aggregation group.

## INSURANCE

The Trustees have made a study concerning disability insurance coverage for the participant under Plan B, but found cost to be prohibitive. We do not feel a need for a denominational plan at this time, but encourage congregations and boards to look into this matter for their employees.

The 1986 Tax Reform Act [TRA] requires under Section 89 of I.R.S. Code that all organizations which have a qualified retirement plan, and if they have a group term insurance and/or health program it must be written. The plan does not have to be written until three months after the I.R.S. issues the regulations. After the regulations are issued by the I.R.S. the Pension Trustees will contract for a written group term plan.

## INVESTMENTS

The Plan's investments at December 31, 1987 and 1986, were as follows:

		1987	1986
Common Stock		\$ 435,550	\$208,890
Convertible Preferred Stock		4,275	29,587
Convertible Debentures		12,300	38,475
U.S. Gov't Obligations		200,560	243,012
Bank Money Market Account		248,020	229,565
Non-Gov't Obligations		128,138	218,510
<b>Totals</b>		<b>\$1,028,843</b>	<b>\$968,039</b>

The following is a comparison or rate of growth of the investments of Plan B.

Year	Consumer Price Index	Standard & Poor's 500	Dow Jones Indust.	90-day Treasury Bills	Pension Plan B Earnings
1974	12.20%	[26.30]%	[23.73]%	7.98%	
1975	7.10	37.26	44.87	5.93	4.51%
1976	4.81	23.68	22.93	5.02	18.52
1977	6.77	[ 7.30]	[12.86]	5.15	2.80
1978	9.03	6.56	2.81	7.44	7.66
1979	13.36	18.57	10.67	9.87	25.24
1980	12.35	32.50	22.13	12.07	18.12
1981	8.94	[ 4.92]	[ 3.59]	14.87	2.21
1982	3.87	21.58	27.17	11.16	34.24
1983	3.80	22.52	26.06	8.96	12.64
1984	3.95	6.91	1.35	9.95	4.27
1985	3.77	31.78	33.67	7.74	13.20
1986	1.13	18.62	27.20	6.13	7.17
1987	4.41	5.25	5.56	5.94	1.62

## COMPOUND ANNUAL RETURN:

6.75%	11.86%	11.56%	8.41%	11.32% ##
Actuarial Assumption			5.50%	

## - Includes all charges for investments cost and fees through 12-31-86.

## TRUSTEES

Currently the Pension Trustees have seven members elected by Synod. The terms of the Class of 1988 end at this Synod. The members of the Class of 1988 are Paul Finley and Joe Copeland. Paul Finley has completed one three-year term as a trustee. Joe Copeland has completed two three-year terms.

We recommend that Paul Finley be re-elected to another three-year term.

We also ask that Synod consider the election of Dennis Olson of our Seattle R.P. Church, or Robert Schmidtberger of our Sharon R.P. Church. Dennis Olson has served six years as a Trustee. He was off the trustees the past year.

Anyone interested in serving as Trustee should visit with the secretary.

## RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. That Synod approve the Constitution for the Pension Trustees.
2. That Synod instruct the Presbyteries to include in the minutes of each installation service the date that the teaching elder actually started working in the congregation. This is needed because participants are enrolled in the pension plan on the first of the month following the date they actually start working.
3. That Synod approve the upgrading of Plan B and set the amount of the minimum contribution rate at \$600 for each employee of a participant on Plan B for 1989.
4. That Synod set the congregational assessments for membership at \$12 for the calendar year 1989 based on its communicant membership as of December 31, 1988.
5. That Synod grant the sum of \$71,000 to the Pension Trustees for 1989.
6. That Synod receive the 1987 Auditor's Report of Plan B as of December 31.
7. That Synod elect Paul Finley for a three [3] year term to the Class of 1991.
8. That Synod elect Dennis Olson or Robert Schmidtberger for a three [3] year term to the Class of 1991.
9. That Synod amend Pension Plan B as set forth in the following resolution:

**EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES  
OF THE SYNOD OF THE REFORMED  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NORTH AMERICA  
MEETING HELD ON THE  
EIGHTH DAY OF AUGUST, 1988.**

**RESOLUTION**

At a meeting of the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America [hereinafter referred to as the "Sponsoring Employer"] held on the eighth day of August, 1988, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, the Sponsoring Employer approved the adoption of the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America Employee's Restated Pension Plan [hereinafter referred to as the "Plan"] effective January 1, 1984; and

WHEREAS, the Sponsoring Employer reserved the right in Article VIII of the Plan to amend the Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Sponsoring Employer wishes to amend the Plan in order to secure a favorable determination letter from the Internal Revenue Service that the Plan continues to satisfy the requirements of Section 401[a] of the Internal Revenue Code.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Plan is hereby amended effective as of January 1, 1984, in the following respects:

**AMENDMENT NO. FOUR  
TO THE SYNOD OF THE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN  
CHURCH OF NORTH AMERICA  
EMPLOYEES' RESTATED PLAN**

(A) Section 13.03 is hereby amended to read in its entirety as follows:

"Section 13.03 - Special Minimum Contributions notwithstanding any provisions contained herein to the contrary, if the Plan becomes 'top-heavy' the Employers shall make a minimum annual contribution for each Participant who is not a 'key employee' in an amount equal to at least three percent (3%) of his compensation. For purposes of this Section 13.03, 'compensation' shall have the same meaning as in Section 10.01 hereof."

(B) Section 13.04 is hereby amended to read in its entirety as follows:

"Section 13.04 - Key Employee Defined  
The term 'key employee' shall have the same meaning as is specified in

Section 416(i) of the Internal Revenue Code, i.e., certain officers of the Employers. The term 'key employees' as of any determination date shall be applied to any Employee or former Employee (or his spouse or Beneficiary) who was a 'key employee' during the Plan Year (ending with such determination date) or in any of the four (4) immediately preceding Plan Years. The term 'officer,' for this purpose, shall only include any officer of the Employers whose total cash compensation for the applicable Plan Year was at least one hundred fifty percent (150%) or more of the maximum annual additions to a defined contribution plan for such years under Section 415 (c) (1) (A) of the Internal Revenue Code."

(C) Section 13.05 is hereby amended to read in its entirety as follows:

**"Section 13.05 - Aggregation Group of Plans**

The term 'aggregation group of plans, shall have the same meaning as is specified in Section 416 (g)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, including for this purpose both required and permissive 'aggregation groups of plans,' i.e., (i) each qualified retirement plan (including any terminated plan) maintained by the Employers in which a key employee is a participant (part of a 'required aggregation group of plans'), and/or (ii) each other qualified retirement plan maintained by the Employers which enables any other plan of the Employers to meet the requirements of Section 401 (a) or Section 410 of the Internal Revenue Code (part of a 'required aggregation group of plans'), and/or (iii) any other qualified retirement plan maintained by the Employers provided such other continue to meet the requirements of Section 401 (a)(4) and Section 410 of the Internal Revenue Code if this Plan and any plans included in (i) and (ii) hereof are also taken into account (part of a permissive aggregation group of plans)."

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of the resolution adopted by the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America at a convention held on the eighth day of August, 1988.

Witness my hand and the corporate seal of the SYNOD OF THE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NORTH AMERICA this eighth day of August, 1988.

Attest: THE SYNOD OF THE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NORTH AMERICA

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Clerk of Synod

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Moderator of Synod

10. That following the adoption of this report, Synod rise for prayer for those who have served the church in past years.

Submitted By:

Class of 1988: Joe Copeland & Paul Finley

Class of 1989: Tom Forest & Edmund Schisler

Class of 1990: R.E. Catloth, William Roberts  
& Charles Wise

Treasurer: L. Hutmire

## CONSTITUTION OF THE PENSION TRUSTEES

### I. NAME

The name of this Board shall be the Pension Trustees of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America. Hereinafter called the "Pension Trustees" or "Trustees."

### II. FUNCTION

The function of the trustees shall be to glorify God as a servant in helping the denomination to fulfill its ministries in providing deferred compensation for its workers. [An actuarially sound plan is based on the principle that the cost of providing a pension for a person is incurred while one is actively employed. Therefore an amount is set aside each year during one's career so that at retirement there will be sufficient monies to pay the pension benefits in accordance with the terms of the plan.] The trustees shall be responsible for the developing and supervising of the pension programs of the denomination. I Cor. 9:13-14; Gal. 6:6; I Cor. 16:1,2; Matt. 25:14; and I Cor. 14.

### III. STRUCTURE

#### A. MEMBERSHIP

The Trustees shall be composed of seven (7) ordained members divided into three classes who are elected from the membership of the denomination by the Synod. Each member is to be elected for a three-year term. Old terms expire and new terms begin when new members are elected by the Synod.

#### B. OFFICERS

The Officers of the Trustees shall be the Chairman, Vice-Chairman, and Secretary, each elected for a one-year term at the fall meeting of the Trustees and eligible to succeed himself in office. These officers are to be chosen from members of the Trustees. The Chairman and the Vice-Chairman shall not be from the same class. Synod's Treasurer is the Trustees' Treasurer and a non-voting member.

**C. MEETINGS**

The Trustees shall hold two (2) regular meetings annually (one in the spring and one in the fall - the date, time and location of each to be decided before adjournment of the preceding meeting) and special meetings called by the Chairman. Five (5) members shall constitute a quorum.

**D. ORGANIZATION**

The Trustees shall be subdivided into committees as determined from time to time by action of the Trustees. Each member shall be appointed by the Trustees' Chairman and approved by the Trustees to serve on a committee. Committee Chairmen shall be appointed by the Trustees' Chairman. Responsibilities of committees are outlined in the minutes of the meetings of the Trustees.

**E. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

The Executive Committee shall be composed of the Chairman of the Trustees, and the Chairmen of all Committees. The Executive Committee shall deal with matters arising between Trustees' meetings that need the attention of the Pension Trustees.

**IV. FUNDS**

The finances of the Trustees shall be obtained from grants by Synod, investments, and other special means as approved by Synod. A budget of anticipated receipts and expenditures for each calendar year shall be prepared at the spring meeting of the preceding year for presentation to Synod. This budget shall be reviewed and revised as necessary at the fall meeting. A financial statement shall be presented by the Treasurer at each regular Trustees' meeting.

**V. AMENDMENTS**

Amendments may be proposed by any member or committee. Adoption of all amendments shall be by a two-thirds vote of the members present at such regular meeting. All amendments that have been adopted by a two-thirds vote of the Trustees shall be submitted to Synod for their adoption by a two-thirds vote.

**VI. SCRIPTURAL BASIS FOR THE WORK OF THE PENSION TRUSTEES****A. I Corinthians 9:13-14 and Galatians 6:6**

Here the principle presented is that those who preach the gospel should live by the gospel. In the Old Testament period those who ministered in the temple were supplied by the temple offerings of God's people. In the New Testament times the people of God present their contributions in various forms. In our culture, monetary support is provided for the ministers of the gospel. The scriptural passages do not inform us how to distribute sup-

port from the members of the churches nor what to do with accumulated sums, whether they are collected in a shorter or longer period.

The funding concept is based on the principle that those who ministered in the Word should be supported as long as they live, and that the funds for that support should be in reserve when the workers reach retirement. Those who administer the funds seek to maintain adequate support for retired workers.

Another principle is that each generation should be responsible for the obligations assumed by it, and to avoid the development of an excessive burden of support from future generations.

**B. I Corinthians 16:1,2 & II Corinthians 9:6-15**

Three principles are established:

1. Offerings are to be made regularly.
2. Every member contributes.
3. The contributions are to be made in proportion to the means of the giver.

The funds regularly received were gathered together and brought to the poor in Jerusalem. Both references reveal a deep concern for the needy. Obviously, the cause of Christian benevolence went beyond the immediate congregation.

**C. Matthew 25:14**

As Jesus' story goes, before the master left home to go to another country, he called three of his servants in and gave each of them a definite sum of money. On returning home, the master called his servants in to settle account.

Obviously, the master expected the servants to put his money to good use while he was away, and this they understood. The duty of the church is to do its business wisely, whether that be on a congregational or denominational level. Money is not barren but can be a productive item and should be used accordingly. Sometimes the "people of this world are more shrewd in dealing with their own kind than are the people of light" (Luke 16:8).

**D. I Corinthians 14**

"For God is not a God of disorder, but of peace" (vs. 33). God desires that in His church "everything should be done in a fitting and orderly way" (vs. 40). This is evident from the fact that God has made provision for the proper regulation of the affairs of the church. The regulative authority which He has given to the church includes the power: (1) to enforce the laws of Christ, and (2) to draw up canons or church orders. Good stewardship should be judged on that basis. Is the funding concept a fitting and orderly way to support the workers in their retirement? This is the principle by which we can judge it. The Board of Pension Trustees is conscious of its accountability on the matter of stewardship. Synod has also been conscious of its responsibility

for good stewardship. Both believe that advanced funding is good stewardship.

Observations of the ethics of interest are useful because so much of future benefits will be paid from accumulated interest.

In Israel commercial loans were practically unknown. From the sixteenth century, scholastic analysis (e.g., Luther, Zwingli) condemned interest because the concept was based on the "sterility" of money. It was unjust to charge for the use of money.

The New Testament makes no direct statement on the ethics of interest. If we put the Parable of the Talents and the Parable of the Ten Virgins together, both teach the church that as we watch we must not be idle, that the best way to be ready is to be busy in the Master's business.

John Calvin, in the book, **John Calvin: The Man and His Ethics**, distinguished between loans for production and those for consumption. Where loans were made for production, capital was productive or quasi-productive. Interest was therefore justified.

The modern concept of interest is that it is a price for the use of money. Monies are borrowed from some and loaned to others. Interest is the price you pay to have money at different points in time. Interest is earned by those who give up present consumption and invest their excess money at interest.

#### E. Summary

Scripture clearly teaches that church workers (pastors, missionaries and other full-time employees) are to be adequately supported. A pension assures that this support will extend into their time of retirement. The denomination is responsible to have funds available to support her retired workers. The funding concept does assure both the denomination and her workers that these funds will be available. One could argue that "provided for adequately" means more than physical assets [i.e., cash]. It also means providing for the emotional and mental well-being of workers who are retired or are close to retirement. Aging and the prospect of retirement have a way of accentuating everyone's concern for their own total well-being. If the certainty of a person's payment is in question each year (as it could be in a pay-as-you-go system), workers may be subjected to a stress which the denomination wants to keep from those who have served her so faithfully.

Although the passages do not tell us directly what to do with accumulated sums, Scripture does not forbid charging reasonable interest on money loaned for productive use (see **New Bible Dictionary** page 304, Interest/Usury [b]). Like all of God's resources, money must be handled with a sense of responsibility for good stewardship. Every congregation that has borrowed

money to build a place of worship knows that money can be used to accomplish good things. Because the money in the pension fund is invested according to a careful policy, it is not perceived correctly when it is seen as an idle fund. As an investment it is accomplishing good in society and in the denomination; as a part of the pension fund, such money is available to the denomination for payment to its retired workers when it is needed.

### REPORT ON THE UPGRADE OF PLAN B

Companies look at deferred compensation pension plans in the following way. Their goal is to provide a pension program that, when added to Social Security and other assets of the employee, will provide the worker with a retirement benefit that would be no less than 50% of the employee's last working year earnings. They assume that the employee will have:

- [1] savings,
- [2] investments (stocks, bonds, etc.),
- [3] real estate holdings,
- [4] social security, and
- [5] various company pension funds.

As we plan for a church retirement plan we must look at what companies do and make some adjustments. First, we have to realize that Ministers of the Gospel and other full-time employees of the church do not make the same amount of compensation for like positions or positions that require additional skills and education. Second, this brings us to the fact that most employees of the church are not going to have large savings or investment portfolios at retirement age. Third, another fact would be that not all retired employees of the church will own their own home or other real estate holdings in which they have equity at date of retirement. So, most likely, full-time workers for the church will only have Social Security and church's pension fund. This will only be true if the church worker was in the Social Security program or has an adequate coverage (life insurance, disability plan, long term insurance savings plan, I.R.A.'s, T.S.A.'s, etc.).

Since some church workers at retirement date will have no savings or very nominal, no investment portfolio, and sometimes no real estate holdings, most church retirement planners will design church pension plans to provide a retirement income equal to a replacement ratio of 70% of final year compensation for those who have been in a plan for 30 or more years. Actuaries have shown that a contribution rate of at least 12% or more of current compensation is required to achieve that goal and to allow for inflation during the retirement years.

### STEPS TO UPGRADE PLAN B

1. Contributions to the Plan must be made by the employers (as defined by the Plan) and not the participants.

2. The beginning cost of the contribution must be set with an understanding of current cost of the pension programs of the denomination.
3. The beginning contribution must be an amount that would not be a burden to the employer.
4. The beginning contribution would be set at \$600 for the first year starting on January 1, 1989.
5. The contributions are set at a minimum amount. The amount should be 12% of compensation. All employers are encouraged to make contributions in excess of the minimum.
6. The minimum contribution rate should be increased over the next ten years until it reaches 12% of compensation for all participants.
7. The amount of the contribution is to replace the \$400.00 individual assessment paid by each participant.
8. For those who are currently in Plan B whose annual amount invested is over \$400, Synod will continue to fund that part of the annual amount invested in excess of \$400 until it is phased out.
9. The amount of \$250 guaranteed by Plan B will be phased out.
10. Each employer is encouraged to plan the whole compensation package (current and deferred) at the time it employs a participant and annually thereafter. The Pension Trustees will continue to be available to assist employers in this area.
11. After the upgrading of Plan B is approved by Synod, it will be submitted to Mercer-Meidinger-Hansen so the current plan can be amended or restated.

**Ronald Good presented the Report of the Board of Home Missions. Item 3 was referred to the Committee on Finance. Items 1 and 2 were adopted. The Report as a whole was adopted and is as follows:**

#### **REPORT OF THE HOME MISSION BOARD**

The Home Mission Board reports that it has met twice since the last meeting of Synod. Its officers have been Ronald Good, President; Dean Smith, Vice-President; and Walter Swartz, Secretary.

Our task is to assist the presbyteries in their work of church extension. Presbyteries being assisted include: Presbytery of the Alleghenies in their work in State College, PA and Washington, D.C.; Atlantic Presbytery in White Lake, NY; Midwest Presbytery in Colorado Springs, CO; Ohio-Illinois Presbytery in Chicago, IL, and St. Lawrence Presbytery in Endwell, NY, Rochester, NY, Oswego, NY and Perth, Ontario. We encourage all the presbyteries to be ambitious in their missionary work, and we desire to serve them in it.

The Board provides scholarships for **Evangelism Explosion** and **The Fuller Institute of Evangelism and Church Growth**. The provision is 50% of the cost or \$300 per person (whichever is less) for a maximum of two people from each congregation. We have budgeted \$4,000 in both 1988

and 1989 for this program. A number of people from our presbyteries have found these seminars to be very helpful. We have names and reports for your reference. A Resource Program has also been established, setting aside money for consulting services to new works. The Board seeks to train its own members by encouraging participation in seminars and workshops related to home missions, church extension, evangelism and church revitalization.

We offer a number of tools for your use. In printed form, we have **The Church Extension Notebook** which recounts many of our new works. Audio tapes of Dr. Donald MacNair's 1986 pre-Synod seminar on church growth are on hand. Two video tape series are also available: **The City for God's Sake** by Ray Bakke and **Lifestyle Evangelism** by Joseph Aldrich. A slide presentation of "The RPCNA Today" is to be updated and added to these resources.

We administrate Synod's severance program which assists presbyteries in caring for teaching elders who have been released from their pastoral responsibilities. The Partnership Expansion Program, which is designed to help growing new works secure adequate facilities, has been set aside temporarily while we focus on long-range planning for the Board.

We continue to hold one of our meetings each year with a presbytery or congregation involved in church extension. This spring we met at the Southside Indianapolis Congregation. Each presbytery representative spoke of the extension work in his presbytery. We hope to continue this practice and we welcome your invitations.

As a Board and in subcommittee, we have been working hard at developing a long-range plan so that we can more effectively serve the presbyteries in the work of church extension.

The Atlantic Presbytery representative, Jonathan Leach, represented our Board at the 1987 annual meeting of NAPARC's Joint Home Mission Agencies. Robert McFarland and Ronald Good are our representatives on Synod's Cross-Cultural Committee.

We keep the church informed of home mission work through articles and prayer items in the **Covenanter Witness** and through bulletin inserts.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. That the Synod grant us an evening before our 1989 Synod report for a presentation of the vision of the Home Mission Board for church planting.
2. That the Synod grant us a moratorium on new board members for two years so that we can efficiently complete our long-range planning.
3. That Synod grant us \$59,000 from the Reformed Presbyterian Mission and Ministry program for our 1989 budget. Our aid to presbyteries is budgeted at \$82,875 and our total proposed budget is \$122,875.

Respectfully submitted,  
Walter Swartz, Secretary

Robert Schmidtberger presented the Report of the Committee on Arrangements. Item 1 was referred to the Nominating Committee. Item 2 was adopted. The Report as a whole was adopted and is as follows:

#### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ARRANGEMENTS

Your Committee began its work late last summer but soon discovered virtually all of its assigned tasks (registration, lodging, meals, et cetera) would be taken care of by the Carleton Conference Committee and Staff.

The Conference Staff kept in contact with the Committee's Chairman and their labors made our task very easy.

Miss Judy Linhart agreed to serve as Synod's secretary and Chaplain Stanley Copeland agreed to lead us in Synod devotions.

Recommendations:

1. That since the terms of M.L. McFarland and R. Paul Mathews expire at this meeting of Synod, two men be elected to replace them to serve for a period of two years.
2. That a letter of thanks and appreciation for their cooperation and work be sent by the Assistant Clerk to the Carleton Conference Staff.

Respectfully submitted,  
Robert Schmidtberger, Chairman

Timothy Russell presented the Report of the Psalter Revision Committee. Items 1 - 3 were adopted. The Report as a whole was adopted and is as follows:

#### REPORT OF THE PSALTER REVISION COMMITTEE

The name of this committee is somewhat misleading for it has not been our stated assignment to "revise" the Psalter, but instead to provide a "supplement to the Psalter," and also to develop a program for "Training in Praise" which would benefit the church as a whole.

The Committee's proposal to produce a video seminar under the leadership of Mr. Charles McBurney, was approved by last year's Synod, and has been accomplished. This video tape became available for sale or rent from the Education and Publication office last October. The purchase price for this cassette, entitled **Improving Our Praise**, is \$60.00. It contains four half-hour teaching segments, and at this price should become a part of every congregation's library to be used periodically. It may be rented for \$30.00 from the same source. Reports from several congregations who have already made use of this video program have indicated that it has been both enjoyable and helpful, and that it has indeed aided them in

improving their praise. A booklet has been prepared and is distributed with the tape giving suggestions to insure the most profitable use of the tape and on follow-up. The versatility of such a tape is that it can be used by large groups, small groups, or by individuals at their own convenience. We urge every congregation to get a copy and to make use of it.

Providing a supplement to the Psalter has been an even more challenging and also a somewhat frustrating task. God willing, we will have at Synod time, or shortly thereafter, a **Psalter Supplement No. 1**, with a variety of tunes and styles for expressing the Psalms of Scripture. Admittedly, it is less than either ourselves or others might desire, but perhaps it is a beginning that will prompt additional supplements in the future, prepared by those more particularly qualified for this kind of work.

The Committee has felt a strong interest throughout the Church for a wider variety of ways to express the Psalms of Scripture in the praise of God, while retaining faithfulness to the text. Such a challenge requires very special gifts. Our Committee is somewhat lacking in these gifts, and so it is our conviction that the present Psalter Revision Committee should be discharged, and that the Psalm Translation Committee, along with their other duties, since they are concerned with both text and music, be asked to continue exploration of forms and varieties of musical expressions of the Psalms and to provide other Psalter supplements to the Church to test these forms as intermediate steps toward their goal of major revision later. We further feel that the Psalm Translation Committee should be given authorization to hire qualified composers to produce certain renditions as they might desire.

**Psalter Supplement No. 1** includes some Psalm "portions" where only a few verses of a Psalm are presented, with no attempt made to versify the whole Psalm to the particular tune. We certainly hold to the principle that the whole Psalter is to be our regular manual of praise, otherwise we are prone to distortions. But "portions" can be useful to focus on a particular thought, aid quick memory, and add further vehicles of praise to both children and adults.

We encourage congregations to test out the selections in **Psalter Supplement No. 1** to see what works well to enhance your expressions of praise, and to forward to the Psalter Translation Committee your conclusions, and any other tunes or ideas which you feel will improve our praise.

#### Recommendations:

1. That the Psalter Translation Committee be asked to produce additional Psalter supplements as intermediate steps toward their goal of a major revision of the Psalter.
2. That the Board of Education and Publication be asked to consider handling the additional costs of printing and distribution, anticipating a return to their Revolving Fund through sales of the Supplement.

3. That the Psalter Revision Committee be discharged.

Wanda Haney  
Jocele McDonald  
Timothy Russell  
Don R. McBurney  
Robert McCracken, Chairman

**Roy Blackwood presented the Report of the Psalm Translation Committee. Item 1 was adopted. Item 2 is to be taken care of by the Denominational Treasurer. The Report as a whole was adopted and is as follows:**

#### **REPORT OF THE PSALM TRANSLATION COMMITTEE**

Dear Fathers and Brethren:

In 1986 the North American Synod acted to appoint a Psalm Translation Committee, if possible to include men appointed by the R. P. Churches of Ireland and Australia, to establish scripturally based hermeneutical and exegetical principles for the translation of Psalms to be sung, and commission said committee to make a singable translation of the 150 chapters of the Book of Psalms based on a consistent use of those same principles; suggesting that they aim at translating 15 Psalms per year for ten years.

The North American Synod appointed Clark Copeland, Duncan Lowe, Jonathan Leach and Dale Russell for the work of translation; and Robert Copeland, Robert Joyner, Charles McBurney, Boni Piper and Michael Tabon as a subcommittee for musical settings, with Roy Blackwood chairman of the entire Committee.

We are very pleased to report that the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of Ireland has appointed Hugh J. Blair, Norris Wilson and J. McGregor to this committee, and the Presbytery of Australia has appointed Lynsey Blakston and Alastair McEwen as their representatives to this committee.

So our Progress Report this year is going to all three Churches, and we are particularly thankful for that. It is surely becoming for the Reformed Presbyterian Churches throughout the world to be thus involved together in the ministry of the translation of the Book of Psalms for singing. It really will be for "all people that on earth do dwell." We do not know of any other international Church that is involved in this particular ministry. When the Apostle Paul wrote saying, "I thank God whom I worship with a clear conscience the way my forefathers did," there is good reason to believe that one of the things he was thinking of was the singing of these same Psalms, and that God was using him to bridge between O.T. and N.T. worship. We believe God will use this ministry of translation to bridge both space and time in drawing us together as a Church and in sending us out into His world with a testimony that is pleasing to Him and

a blessing to all who will learn with us to sing these Psalms. It certainly is not the only point of testimony of the R. P. Churches, but it is an important factor in the testimony of all three Churches.

Your Committee as a whole has never met and may never do so. The Translators, along with R. Copeland as part of the North American portion of the Committee, met in Grand Rapids during the Synod meetings there in 1987. We approved a "proposed statement of hermeneutical and exegetical principles" to be used consistently throughout the work of translation. The North American Synod accepted that statement during their 1987 meetings and it was subsequently accepted by the representatives of the Churches of Ireland and Australia. The Chairman, Roy Blackwood, went to talk with all three of the representatives of the Synod of Ireland when he was in Britain last summer on other business. There have been phone calls and considerable correspondence with the representatives of the R. P. Church in Australia. We look forward to a Committee Meeting during the meetings of the North American Synod at Carleton College, Northfield, Minnesota, in August 1988. We know (D.V.) that meeting will include Lynsey Blakston from Ireland. But most of our work has been done by correspondence and an occasional telephone call. We plan to continue that way.

To date we have completed the statement of policy referred to above and the translation of Psalms 1-18 (with the exception of Psalms 6, 7, 12, 15 and 16 which are being worked on). The Translators are currently working on Psalms 19-27 and on critiques of chapters already completed. We are thankful to report that even in our first year of work, we've almost met our goal of 15 Psalms; i.e. we've completed 13. We believe we will be able to do more than 15 as the system develops. (But no one has yet volunteered for Psalm 119.)

Our system is simple. The Chairman assigns a chapter to each man, receives the rough translation when it is completed, and sends a copy of it to each of the translators who critique it and then return it with comments. The original translators then revise and resubmit the translation. The men are committed to the text and there have been no serious disagreements or contradictions. Critiques have added helpful insights and further contributions for those who will be doing the prosody.

We are examining some of the finer points of Hebrew grammar and poetic form. For example, we have already identified and defined two areas where it will be necessary to establish more policy: One dealing with the masculine gender used for common gender, and the other dealing with the tenses of the verbs. How will we identify and translate the gender-specific terms and how the generic terms? And how will we translate the precative perfect? We are hoping to draw some conclusions on those subjects during the meetings held at Carleton in August 1988. We anticipate more such issues and look forward to working out the solutions to them.

Our biggest problem at this point is the prosody—fitting the accurate literal English translation into singable phrases and stanzas which will

preserve the careful work done in the translating. Some have said that it is "impossible" to translate Hebrew poetry into singable English stanzas and call it a translation. Others have said "We can't improve on what has already been done—just re-arrange translations we already have and trust God to bring out the meaning He intends us to have." But God specifically commended those workmen who did not need to be ashamed because they had rightly divided the Word of Truth. And we are clearly persuaded that God wrote this particular book of His Bible for the primary purpose of being sung. And that when it is sung it brings particular praise to God and particular blessing to those who sing it. And that while many others have done very good work in translating it for reading, no one else is really working at translating the whole book of Psalms for singing. We are confident that the God who wrote this book for the purpose of being sung will direct us to the person or persons who will be both sensitive and knowledgeable of the Hebrew grammar, and careful and gifted with the English phrasing. Our next step will then be to turn that material over to the Musical Settings Subcommittee.

As a committee of translators, God has given us a will to work, and we particularly enjoy the fellowship with others who are like-minded from other countries. We welcome your comments, questions, suggestions and help of all kinds. Please send them to our Chairman, Roy Blackwood, 1175 Princeton Place, Zionville, Indiana 46077, U.S.A. Please keep praying for us in the years that lie ahead.

#### Recommendations:

1. That the Synod through its Clerk request that the Synods of Ireland and North America and the Presbytery of Australia re-appoint the same men to this Committee.
2. That the North American Synod authorize the reimbursement of expenses.

Respectfully submitted,  
Roy Blackwood, Chairman

Robert Copeland presented the Report of the Seminary Trustees. Item 1 was referred to the Nominating Committee. Item 2 was referred to the Committee on Finance. Items 3 and 4 were adopted. Item 5 was adopted and referred to the Committee on Finance. Item 6 was adopted. The Report as a whole was adopted and is as follows:

#### REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

In the past year, God has continued to bless the Seminary with an expanding ministry, including the largest graduating class in our 177-year

history (sixteen graduates). He has provided capable faculty and staff, and sustained and encouraged them in their work. He has opened doors for our graduates to serve in significant places in His Kingdom. Truly, the Lord has "crowned the year with His goodness."

### **FACULTY AND STAFF**

President Stewart, completing his fourth year as president of the Fellowship of Evangelical Seminary Presidents, visited China and Hong Kong from June 26 to July 10, 1987, where he had opportunity to speak with professors, students and pastors about their life and faith, learning and vision. He served for a year as Chairman of NAPARC and is now on their Interim Committee. In June 1988 he taught a course on Cults at Ottawa Theological Hall. Dr. Spear and Dr. Copeland have taught at Sangre De Cristo Seminary in Colorado, in addition to full loads and additional responsibilities at RPTS. Dr. Wright taught Beginning Greek in Summer 1987, and this summer is exchanging with the Rev. Edward Donnelly of Glenmanus Congregation, Portrush, Northern Ireland. Mr. Donnelly, who is on the faculty of the RP Theological College in Belfast, is teaching summer Greek at RPTS. Dr. Russell serves as Registrar, Dr. Wright as Dean of Students, and Dr. Spear as Dean of the Faculty. Faculty members are active on sessions (College Hill, Covenant Fellowship, North Hills), on the boards and committees of Synod, and as supply preachers. Our Librarian, Rachel George, is warmly commended for her efforts to make the library increasingly adequate and accessible for the kind of study and research necessary for graduate theological education.

Part-time faculty have made a significant contribution to the Seminary this year: Rev. Harold Harrington, Rev. Leroy Walker, Dr. William White, Rev. Paul Copeland, and Rev. Richard Farmer. The last three have been named Adjunct Professors. Six visiting lecturers contributed to various classes as well.

Mary Spear, after back surgery in September, was able to resume her excellent work as Secretary-Receptionist. She has been capably assisted by Marilyn (Mrs. Paul) Copeland. Mrs. Sekowski continues as our cook and housekeeper, and has been assisted by Lori McCracken, Annette Wilson, and Shannon Hostetter. Timothy McCracken has been caretaker of the Seminary building, and Bruce Parnell of the apartment house. Following Mr. McCracken's graduation, Wade Mann is the caretaker of the Seminary this summer, and Thomas Houston will assume this responsibility in the fall.

### **STUDENTS**

During the past year we had a ministry to 152 students, six more than last year. Of these, 110 were on campus; 103 took courses for credit and seven were auditors. The remaining 42 were off-campus students, 17 of whom took for credit. Of the 103 students on campus, 45 were M.Div. candidates, ten worked toward a diploma or certificate, and 48 were special stu-

dents. Twenty-two are active pastors, 42 are 35 years of age or older, 15 are women, 42 are black, and three are international students. Sixteen denominations were represented. Full-time equivalent (FTE) was 47.75.

In light of the inadequate background of an increasing proportion of students, the Seminary is seeking to develop a plan for admission and orientation of students with special academic needs.

Fifteen RP students were full-time and six part-time. Eight of the 1988 graduates are RPs; pray that God will provide areas of ministry for each of them.

At student initiative, a Students' Missionary Fellowship was organized this year to hear missionary speakers and to support the cause of missions with prayer and contributions.

### LIBRARY

This year is the fifth since Thomas Reid wrote his report "Measuring Up: A Library Improvement Plan." At the time, it seemed a very ambitious plan, but by God's grace most of the goals have been achieved. For example, the total volume count in 1983 was 22,200; the 1988 goal was 30,000, and the 1988 actual is 30,637 (total holdings are 33,631). The Rare Books Room is a reality; 666 duplicate volumes were weeded out, and fifteen drawers added to the card catalog. The number of uncatalogued books has been reduced from 1,600 to 400.

At the same time, library circulation has increased 15% this year, on top of an 18.4% increase last year. Interlibrary loans have increased 358%, largely because the library has begun to use OCLC's electronic communication network for interlibrary loans. Other libraries borrowed from us 155 times, which indicates that other librarians and scholars are becoming aware of the RPTS Library as a valuable resource.

The addition of new shelf space has been slower than projected, and the total library space available is going to be inadequate within a few years to house the collection necessary for a graduate theological program. A plan has been developed, however, to rearrange the Reference Room and install 121 additional shelves; this we plan to implement during the winter vacation of 1988.

### FINANCE AND DEVELOPMENT

Because of severe cutbacks in RPM&M grants, the Seminary has been compelled to operate at a deficit in the current year. The Seminary's income from tuition has increased from 20% (1986) to 30% (1988) of the total income and will continue to increase somewhat. Increases which would put us out of line with comparable Seminaries, however, would be counterproductive.

It should be noted that the increased tuition charges, combined with the rising number of RP students, also increases Student Aid expenditures. In 1988, RP students will receive approximately \$30,000 in aid, in

the form of loans which are forgiven based on service in the denomination.

An effort is currently underway to collect the unpaid Student Aid loan indebtedness, approximately \$32,000, owed largely by persons who are no longer in the denomination and who have failed to repay.

Pending the work of Synod's Consultative Committee on a Denominational Headquarters, we have agreed to continue permitting the Board of Education and Publication to share our facility for an additional year, until June 30, 1989.

The Seminary has been permitted two pages twice a year in the *The Covenanter Witness*, and has advertised in *Expression* magazine, *The Cabinet* at Geneva College, and the *Jubilee* program of the Coalition for Christian Outreach. Representatives have visited Geneva and Grove City Colleges, and a Seminary display at the NAE Convention in Orlando.

## FACILITIES

Only routine maintenance has been attempted this year in the Seminary building-painting, waterproofing, carpet and curtain replacement, drain cleaning, and the like. Pigeon droppings were removed and Nixalite aluminum spikes were installed with a significant reduction of the pigeon problem. The apartment house has required substantial repairs: two refrigerators, the intercom system, and all gas lines replaced.

Because the apartment building, which contains only one-bedroom units, is not meeting the needs of Seminary students (most of whom have children), and because of the disappointing return on the investment, the Board has decided to offer the building for sale provided we can recoup the purchase price.

## LONG RANGE PLANNING

Duncan Lowe, having been elected by the Synod of 1987, expects to assume the Chair of Old Testament Studies in June 1989. Dr. Wright's current term expired May 31, 1988, and he has been extended at least through 1991. Dr. Russell's current term also expired May 31, 1988. He is willing to teach for at least three more years, and would be eligible beyond that. Bruce Stewart's term expires May 31, 1990, and he would have four more years before reaching mandatory retirement age.

The Board brings the following to the particular attention of Synod:

- a) We notified the Synod in 1987 that nominations will be solicited in 1991 for an election to be held at the Synod of 1992 for a Professor of New Testament who would begin to serve in 1993.
- b) We hereby notify Synod that at the Synod of 1989 we will call for the election of a President and Professor of Pastoral Theology, and that the Board is nominating Bruce C. Stewart for a four-year term.

As for prospective faculty members: Jonathan Leach has withdrawn from the doctoral program at Westminster Seminary. Jonathan Watt continues his work toward the Ph.D. in Linguistics at the University of Pittsburgh, but sees this as complementary to his pastoral work, and hopes to do post-doctoral work at Harvard Divinity School. Bruce Hemphill plans to begin graduate study in New Testament this fall at Westminster Seminary, and desires to prepare himself to teach New Testament in the RPTS. At this point, the Board is seeking individuals who want to prepare themselves for the positions in Church History and Pastoral Theology. We encourage the Church to submit to the Board the names of people qualified or potentially qualified for the above positions.

The Board has voted to proceed with application for full membership in the ATS, recognizing that we will not compromise either our mission or doctrine.

#### OTHER

The Board and Administration continue to appreciate the valuable input of the President's Advisory Council. The President of the Council is Rev. William Painter, Acting Executive of the Coalition for Christian Outreach.

The Board had two regular meetings since the Synod of 1987. Officers of the Board for the current year are John H. Tweed, President; John J. Vincze, Vice-President; Robert Copeland, Secretary. Each member serves on one or more of the three standing committees: Executive, Finance, and Long-Range Planning. The terms of J. D. Birdsall and William Cornell expire at this meeting of Synod; and both are eligible for re-election. Their successors should be chosen.

#### Recommendations:

1. That the following be nominated for the Trustees Class of 1994: J.D. Birdsall, William Cornell, Dennis Olson, Walter (Kit) Swartz.
2. That the Seminary be granted \$130,599 from the RPM&M Fund for 1989.
3. That Bruce C. Stewart be heard on behalf of the Seminary as part of the appropriate Seminar in the Family Conference schedule.
4. That the Seminary be authorized to plan a Pre-Synodic Conference on Preaching in 1990.
5. That \$11,250 be granted from the Graduate Study Fund to support Duncan Lowe for 5/12 of 1989 salary (January through May).
6. That members of Synod give prayerful attention to the future need for faculty members for the Seminary and communicate their interest or suggestions to the Board.

Respectfully submitted,  
Robert M. Copeland, Secretary

**William Weir presented the Reports of the Woman's Association and the Administrator of the Reformed Presbyterian Home for the Aged. The Reports were received and appear in the Appendix to the Minutes. Kenneth Smith led the Court in prayer of thanksgiving for His blessing on the work and ministry of the Home and its Board.**

**Paul McCracken presented the Report of the Board of Foreign Missions. Item 1 was referred to the Nominating Committee. Item 2 was adopted. Items 3 and 4 were referred to the Committee on Finance. Item 5 was adopted. Item 6 was adopted and referred to the Committee on Finance. Item 7 was referred to the Board to report to the 1989 meeting of Synod. The Report as a whole was adopted and is as follows:**

#### **REPORT OF THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS**

**"The time is coming to gather all nations and tongues. And they shall come and see My glory. And I will . . . send survivors from them to the nations . . . and they will declare My glory among the nations." (Isaiah 66: 18,19)**

Your Board rejoices in the continuing evidence that the Reformed Presbyterian Church is a denomination strongly committed to the work of foreign missions. It is our task to oversee this work on your behalf, to encourage its growth and effectiveness, and to seek to involve as great a portion of the Church in this work as is possible. We thank God for His evident blessing on many aspects of the work during the year.

As is evident from the discussion of foreign missions in Synod year after year, there are always plus and minus sides to be looked at. On the one hand is the clear Biblical mandate to reach the world and the record of what God has been doing through the denomination during the year. The minus side often comes when we look at the strength of the Church at home and the question of whether we have the resources of purpose, personnel, and finance to continue and extend the work abroad. Maybe this has always been true. Maybe this tension is all a part of our counting the cost of discipleship. But readers of this report should be aware that those chosen to serve on the Foreign Mission Board constantly labor with both the plusses and minuses in view. There is equal concern for the health of the Church on this continent and the prosperity of the forming Church abroad.

During the furlough of the William Sterrett family, a sizable number of the Churches have heard Bill speak on Japan. At this writing Orlena Lynn and the Hemphills are scheduled to be home and will have had some opportunity to speak. The tape/slide program about Liberia has been circulating, and the program documenting the Youth Mexico Project from the Summer of 1987 has become available. Some Churches have used the video presentations on ministry to cities presented by MARC, and featuring Professor Ray Bakke. The new Japan video is now in process of cir-

culation among the Churches, and should have a wide viewing. Other mission-promotion projects include the new F.M.B. newsletter, which to date has been prepared by the Executive Secretary, the Prayer Cards with color pictures of missionaries, and the Prayer Phone, which is now in its third year. Again this year, a weekend emphasis was planned at Geneva College sponsored by both mission boards. Randy Van Osdol of Washington, D.C. was the featured speaker for different groups there.

We continue to oversee and care for three ordained ministers and their families and Orlena Lynn in Japan. Gene and Ruth Spear continue to labor at the mission station in Mukonoso. Ray and Jennie Hemphill helped to fill in for Bill and Pitsa Sterrett during their furlough in Cyprus and the U.S., from August of 1987 to June of 1988. The Sterretts have now returned to their post, and the Hemphills have returned home. Ray suffered some health problems while in Japan, but the Lord sustained him. He serves as a member of the F.M.B., and we are grateful to him and Jennie for fulfilling this assignment. You have surely heard of the blessing of God on Charlie and Susan Leach with the birth of their twins Sarah Grace and Carrie Christine on March 16. They join their brother, Matthew, to gladden the Leach home, and to make it crowded! The Leaches serve in the mission station in Gakuen Toshi, and by the time this report is formally before Synod, we hope that they will have found a place other than their home where meetings might be held. The reports from the Covenanter Book Store continue to show that the work of Miss Lynn and her fellow laborers is a significant ministry in all of the Orient. Samuel Youn, who was hurt severely in a motorcycle accident in August of 1987 is now back to a full load of preaching and pastoral work in Japan. His salary is paid by the Board through the Japan Commission. Funds from the North American Church are also used to pay the salary of Charles Chao in Taiwan, who serves with the Reformation Translation Fellowship. The Board is convinced that all those mentioned above, who have been receiving support from the Church in North America, are serving the Lord Jesus Christ with their whole hearts, and the Lord is blessing their work. How thankful we are for each of them! The same thing can be said for our Japanese pastors, Toshio Masunaga, Shigeru Takiura, and Nobuo Miwa (who is presently doing graduate work in Korea), and the ruling elders who work along with them and carry so much responsibility. We hold each of them in high esteem and treasure their fellowship. (Our prayers are also with Mr. Kimuro, a recent seminary graduate, who has been helping the work a great deal.)

Other Reformed Presbyterians serving abroad are also objects of our special interest and prayers as they serve with other mission agencies under the oversight of their home sessions. Beth Carlson (Seattle, WA) continues to be involved in the education of the children of missionaries in Malaysia. Marcia Elliott (Greeley, CO) has returned to Indonesia where she serves with the Navigators. Bill and Margaret McElroy have been working now for a year in Zaire in Africa. They are from the Topeka,

KS, Church. Paul and Shirley Kilpatrick (College Hill, PA) live and teach in Puerto Rico, and are being given increasing responsibility with Wycliffe Bible Translators in its summer training programs in England. Others serve in countries where the attitude toward mission work is negative, and where published reports in America can have adverse effect.

The Mexico Project, which involved high school youth on a short-term project into Mexico in the summer of 1987, will be repeated, tentatively, in 1989. The Board desires that the Church be alert to other mission-related projects that may be undertaken by congregations or presbyteries within the denomination.

We on the Foreign Mission Board want to be candid with Synod and the Church about our goals for the future, and we are bringing recommendations that are an expression of these goals. Much information has been given regarding the financial crisis, particularly in the Orient, which is presently requiring so much extra from the Church in this country. The Treasurer's report will document how the budgets both for the Japan Mission and the R.T.F. salary assistance have dramatically increased due to the currency inequities with the dollar in Japan and Taiwan. How long this will remain critical we cannot predict. Further information will be available at this Synod meeting regarding the extent to which promises for the speedier removal of our Cyprus funds to this country have been fulfilled.

At the last Synod meeting, there was overwhelming support toward the opening of a new field. The Board has now moved from a tentative to a solid plan to open work in Liberia in the beginning of the next decade. Synod voted approval, knowing that such a mission work might cost \$100,000 per year. The carrying out of our mutual desire, of course, depends on our God providing the personnel and the funds, and otherwise putting His hand on it. However, the Board believes that we must do more than we have done in the past to raise money. We are proposing a different kind of support for foreign missions. We are asking that you approve what we are calling the Congregational Sponsorship Program. Because this can be interpreted as being in the category of a "special appeal," we are seeking the approval of Synod before proceeding.

The Congregational Sponsorship Program is not designed to be in opposition to, or to reduce, the giving of the denomination to the R.P. Mission and Ministry Fund. It is an "over and above" program of giving which will go beyond what the denomination is now doing in foreign missions through that Fund. Congregational Sponsorship of missionaries will (1) establish closer teamwork relationship between North American congregations and missionaries in prayer and giving, and (2) strengthen and increase the financial support. We believe, first, that the concept of congregations "having their own missionaries," or feeling a closer bond with certain ones, has been an expressed desire in our own denomination for many years, and second, is a goal that seems absolutely necessary to the Board, if foreign work is to prosper and expand. Sponsoring congrega-

tions would agree to pray regularly for a missionary or missionary family, write regularly to him/her/them, and choose to be involved in one of four suggested levels of financial support each year. The Church would be provided with an inscribed plaque, a large picture of the supportees, regular updates and prayer requests about their work, a chart indicating the achieved level of progress toward the year's goal, and some preference in deputation scheduling. The Board, feeling keenly the necessity of such a program, has the machinery and paper work virtually in place to begin this program soon, with Synod's permission and blessing. One large benefit that we hope will result from the C.S.P. is the re-channelling of thousands of dollars that are now being sent to agencies outside the denomination. We believe the quality of the work being done by the denomination, with its Biblical and theological foundations, merits the enthusiastic and sacrificial support of its people.

#### Recommendations:

1. That since the terms of Duncan Lowe, Jonathan Watt, and William Weir expire at this meeting, their positions be filled by the Synod.
2. That the Japan Commission be made up of all teaching elders and one ruling elder from each congregation in Japan.
3. That \$100,000 of the Edith Allen Estate, when received, be added to the 1988 Bequest line item, and that the balance received (of approximately \$100,000) from the estate, when received, be placed in a separate account for use in the new field.
4. That this Board be granted \$90,000 from the R.P. Mission and Ministry Fund for 1989.
5. That Robert Henning be appointed for one year to serve as a part-time Executive Secretary.
6. That Synod approve the Board's proposed Congregational Sponsorship Program, and that this program be put in operation at the earliest possible date.
7. That Synod approve the plan (**1987 Minutes of Synod**, page 98, 102) to open a new field early in the 1990's in Monrovia, Liberia, and join in prayer that the personnel and funds will become available.

J. Paul McCracken, President

#### CONGREGATIONAL MISSIONARY SPONSORSHIP PROGRAM

##### Purpose:

1. To establish a direct teamwork link between congregations and missionaries.
2. To increase prayer and financial support for the Church's missions outreach.

**Plan:** The Sponsorship Program is to be considered an "over and above" challenge for support beyond the regular giving to foreign missions done

through the RPM&M Fund. It will require an increasing sense of personal and corporate responsibility for a particular missionary or missionary family, involving both sacrificial prayer and giving.

**How it will work:**

- I. A congregation will decide on a missionary or missionary family for Sponsorship, and apply to the Foreign Mission Board regarding that desire. The Board will receive the request and administer it for a period of at least one year on behalf of the sponsoring congregation.
- II. A Sponsoring Congregation will commit itself to the following: 1) Pray regularly for its assigned missionary household. 2) Write regularly to the missionaries (though every letter cannot be answered). 3) Give financial support for the missionary(ies) through the denominational treasurer at one of the following levels:

Level One Support:	Up to \$999 per year
Level Two Support:	\$1,000 to \$4,999 per year
Level Three Support:	\$5,000 to \$9,999 per year
Level Four Support	\$10,000 to \$20,000 per year

This support may be an item in the congregation's annual budget, or it can be planned as a separate congregational program. As the Foreign Mission Board seeks full sponsorship for its mission personnel, support from different congregations having a shared interest in a particular missionary household will be combined. Only missionaries sent by the Foreign Mission Board, and fully under its oversight, would be included in this program.

**III. A Sponsoring Congregation will receive:**

1. A poster or plaque indicating that it is a Missionary Sponsoring Church, and showing the level of that support.
2. A large picture with background on the missionary's work, and a chart to keep track of the progress toward the year's goal.
3. Regular updates on the mission work involved, including prayer requests from the missionary household.
4. Preference in deputation scheduling when that missionary is on furlough.

**Willard McMillan presented the Report of the Committee on Reformed Presbyterian Ministry to Handicapped Persons. The Report was adopted and is as follows:**

**REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON  
REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN MINISTRY  
TO HANDICAPPED PERSONS**

The Committee has worked this year on some of the recommendations which were passed by Synod in 1987.

Our main thrust has been to plan a program for the national conference at Carleton. We are planning a presentation for each group: 1) to increase awareness of the problems and needs of handicapped persons and their families, 2) to note ways we can help address these needs, and 3) to draw attention to ways handicapped persons can serve.

We are endeavoring to obtain information and to find resources which would be helpful to families with handicapped persons and for congregations desiring to help.

At our conference we will have a display table with people available to provide information and to receive suggestions so that we can serve one another more adequately in this area of concern.

We would recommend that Synod provide \$1000 to cover Committee materials, travel, phone and mailing for the coming year.

"Now the body is not made up of one part but of many . . . God has arranged the parts in the body, every one of them, just as He wanted them to be. . . . The eye cannot say to the hand, 'I don't need you!' And the head cannot say to the feet, 'I don't need you!' On the contrary, those parts of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, and the parts that we think are less honorable we treat with special honor." (I Corinthians 12: 14-23)

Shirley McMillan, for the Committee

**Bruce Stewart presented the Report of the Graduate Study Committee. Item 1 was adopted and referred to the Committee on Finance. Item 2 was adopted. Items 3 - 5 were referred to the Committee on Finance. The Report as a whole was adopted and is as follows:**

#### **REPORT OF THE GRADUATE STUDY FUND COMMITTEE**

Once again we remind the Synod that the difficulty of the search to find Reformed Presbyterians who are qualified to teach in the Reformed Presbyterian Seminary and in the Bible Department at Geneva College demonstrates the importance of encouraging men in our denomination to do graduate study.

Our Committee is composed of the President of Geneva College, the President of the Board of Education and Publication and the President of the Reformed Presbyterian Theological Seminary who is designated Chairman. Last year's Synod instructed our Committee to present a proposal for restructuring the selection of the personnel of the committee. Our Committee is proposing that in addition to the present personnel the Synod elect an additional person to serve as Chairman.

We were asked to bring to the Synod a revision of the policies and procedural steps for administration of the Graduate Study Fund. It would be our recommendation that the Committee structure as proposed above would be in a better position to bring such a revision to the Synod of 1989.

Three proposals have come to our attention. We have not met to make recommendations yet, but will have recommendations to present at Synod. We are, however, for information, presenting the proposals we have received.

The first proposal came to us from the Board of the Trustees of the Reformed Presbyterian Theological Seminary: Since the Synod has elected Duncan Lowe to the Chair of Old Testament Studies at RPTS to begin in June, 1989, and since Synod approved the recommendations of the Graduate Study Fund Committee providing for years of graduate study in 1987 and 1988, the Board of Trustees are requesting from the Graduate Study Fund a forgivable loan of \$11,250 (\$7,085 salary plus \$4,165 for housing) for the first five months of 1989. The Seminary continues to be committed to pay his tuition costs and fringe benefits.

The second appeal came to us from Bruce Hemphill. He is planning to enter Westminster Theological Seminary to begin a doctoral program this fall. The Synod approved the recommendation of the Graduate Study Fund Committee last year that he receive \$5400 in 1988. He will only use \$3100 of that. He is requesting for 1989 \$5800 for tuition and \$500 for books.

The third request came to us from Jonathan Watt. He is working toward a Ph.D. in Linguistics at Pittsburgh University. He has been granted four requests for aid as he planned, amounting to \$3800. Out-of-state fees and word-processing cost have increased his anticipated expenses. He is requesting \$1200 for 1989.

Jonathan Leach dropped out of his graduate study program and did not use the \$1410 granted him for 1988. The Committee authorized Dean Smith to receive \$250 toward the cost of his study leave at Westminster Theological Seminary.

#### Recommendations:

1. That in addition to the present structure of personnel on our Committee an additional person be elected to the Committee to serve as Chairman for a three-year term.
2. That the restructured Committee bring to the Synod of 1989 a revision of the policies and procedural steps for administration of the Graduate Study Fund.
3. That in implementing Synod's election of Duncan Lowe to the Chair of Old Testament Studies, that an item of \$11,250 be included in the budget of the Reformed Presbyterian Mission and Ministry in 1989 so that a forgivable loan of \$11,250 be granted to Duncan Lowe for his program of graduate study in preparation to teach at the Reformed Presbyterian Theological Seminary.
4. That since Synod approved support of a program of study for Bruce Hemphill in 1988, and since he only used a portion of that amount in 1988, that an item of \$6300 be included in the budget of the Reformed Presbyterian Mission and Ministry in 1989 so that a forgivable loan of

\$6300 be granted to Bruce Hemphill for his program of graduate study.

5. That an item of \$1200 be included in the budget of the Reformed Presbyterian Mission and Ministry in 1989 so that a forgivable loan of \$1200 be granted to Jonathan Watt for his program of graduate study.

Respectfully submitted,  
Joseph McFarland  
Willard McMillan  
Bruce C. Stewart, Chairman

**Following prayer by Kenneth McBurney the Nominating Committee presented the ballot for marking.**

Ronald Good presented the Report of the Joint Commission on Chaplains. Item 1 was referred to the Nominating Committee. The Report as a whole was adopted and is as follows:

#### **REPORT OF THE JOINT COMMISSION ON CHAPLAINS**

Your Commission reports that our application for membership with the Presbyterian and Reformed Commission on Chaplains and Military Personnel was approved. Louis Hutmire attended the annual joint meeting held on December 4, 1987, in Atlanta.

Presently we have two active chaplains (Captain Stanley Copeland, U.S. Army; Lieutenant Joseph Paul, U.S. Navy), one active reserve (Captain William Pihl, U.S. Army) and one completing training (1st Lieutenant Jonathan Leach, U.S. Army). Plus we are jointly responsible for fifty-three additional chaplains under the Commission.

We keep contact with our chaplains through William B. Leonard, Jr., Executive Director, Joint Commission on Chaplains, and personal letters from our Commission. We would remind those presbyteries, under whose care these men are, to keep up contact through their respective clerks of presbytery.

Also we remind presbyteries to: (1) list on their Roster of Presbytery all chaplains of their presbytery as missionaries (See procedures adopted **1985 Minutes of Synod**). (2) Give counsel to their chaplains concerning the grounds under which they should administer the sacrament of the Lord's Supper. (3) Report the status of men either entering or leaving the chaplaincy to the Stated Clerk's office as quickly as possible.

Recommendation:

That Louis Hutmire be re-elected to the Class of 1991.

Respectfully submitted,  
Ronald V. Good  
Louis D. Hutmire

Raymond McCracken presented the Report of the Committee on Pornography. Wilbur Copeland presented the matter of a film which was presenting a perverted depiction of the life of Christ and encouraged the members of Synod to protest this matter. The Report was adopted and is as follows:

### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PORNOGRAPHY

Your Committee reports with mixed feelings to the 1988 Synod. The mixed feelings include joyful thanksgiving, but also deep concern, frustration and even sadness. We are thankful and yes, rejoice in the goodness of God and the way He has blessed, but at the same time your committee is extremely concerned that we are becoming "soft" on our communities, crumbling morality. What once stirred us seems no longer to provoke even a second glance. What once alarmed us, now passes as "prime time." The garbage dumps of "Hollywood" and the "Big Apple" are now transported into many "churched American homes" via the living room T.V., bedroom T.V. or family room T.V. What Christian people once called adultery, many now call "affairs." What was once called immodest is now today's "side walk" sale!

We want to ask, what is happening to us? From where does this change come? Is this change of God? We think not. Some would like to suggest that this change is just normal. In the Holy scriptures, we do not see any "just normal" changes being attributed to God. Rather, when God's people became indifferent and lackadaisical toward the encroaching sins of the pagan, He sent His prophets with the strongest of warnings, always calling for repentance--genuine repentance!

We all seem to be getting used to Band-aid repentance. Band-aid repentance only covers the seeping sore for a brief time and soon no longer sticks. Cover-up repentance with no stick is too often known among us. And tragedy increases when the sore only gets worse. How long will we ignore this deadly decline in our midst?

We, as a Committee, suggest that not only are we "soft" on our crumbling morality in general, but even in particular. Our voices are weak, often never heard, never echoing through the marketplace. Oh, there are some of you, a few of you, who have taken a vocal, gut-level stand. You have cried, yes, even in the marketplace. And, yes, you have been heard! But too many of us have moved in and out of our markets, businesses that daily reek of the fumes of rotten, poisonous videos and the vile under-counter porn print. We come and we go, naively thinking that it isn't really affecting us—well, at least not enough to make an issue of it. So our voices continue unheard throughout the community and the poisonous fumes continue to penetrate.

We have watched people get more excited about "spilled sewage" seeping into the city water lines than about moral sewage into the local community life. Why so excited, we ask? Because we really believe that a

health hazard exists. They believe that it is a danger that might affect them. That is why they get excited! What happens? They speak out. It is a frequent topic until it is dealt with. The danger must be removed.

Jesus, as He looked upon the community around Him, was far more vocal about the spiritual error and pharisaical slime than about physical problems. May we both challenge you and encourage you to lead your community to a more intense level of "salt" and "light" action.

Nationally, there is now a powerful 11-point bill before Congress - the "Child Protection and Obscenity Enforcement Act of 1988." In part, this bill would prohibit computer use by child molesters and pedophiles who use computers to exchange strategies for abducting and seducing children, to exchange names and addresses of the children, and, with a graphics board, they can even exchange the child pornographic pictures.

Incredible as it sounds, some parents advertise for the sale of their own children to produce child porn. If convicted, child pornographers would forfeit assets to the government, making it difficult to begin producing again.

We urge you to write to your congressmen (House Bill HR 3889 and Senate Bill S2033) to give strong support. Phone calls to the offices also make a difference.

Your Committee encourages you and your congregation to continue taking a stand in some or all of the following ways: 1. Together, write your local merchants, then speak to them in person. 2. Organize a public informational banquet or meeting. Call in informed speakers. Invite your local officials. Let them know of your concern. 3. Write letters to the editor of your local paper. Write, not just one letter, but several letters until they really hear you. 4. Encourage buying in "porn-free" stores. Many merchants have heard and responded. Back them up. 5. Become informed about your community. Know what is happening. See what your students see. 6. Pray together as a congregation about this problem. 7. Pray together with several other congregations about this. May God stir you by His Holy Spirit, to these concerns and causes of His holy will.

Respectfully submitted,  
D. Raymond McCracken for the Committee

**The following special resolution was adopted: That the Committee on Pornography be continued for another year and that the Committee on Administration bring in a recommendation regarding a Social Action Committee.**

**The Court sang from Psalm 94 A.**

**Duncan Lowe presented a concern about the incessant viewing of MTV during the Conference by some of the Conference youth. He noted that this**

**occurred, despite administration efforts to cut it off, even on the Lord's Day and even in the area devoted to denominational displays. He suggested that it is a reminder to us of the compelling power of present-day TV to reach into our homes contrary to our Christian values and commitments.**

**Ronald Stegall presented the Report of the National Reform Association. The Report was received and appears in the Appendix to the Minutes.**

**Samuel Boyle presented a verbal Report of the Reformation Translation Fellowship. The report was received. There is a written report in the Appendix to the Minutes.**

**Willard McMillan presented the Report of the Board of Education and Publication. Item 1 was referred to the Nominating Committee. Item 2 was adopted. The Report as a whole was adopted and is as follows:**

#### **REPORT OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION AND PUBLICATION**

The Board is thankful to God for the effective ministry of the Education and Publications directors and staff during this past year. They report an excellent working relationship and a very satisfactory office arrangement.

The Board held its semi-annual meetings in October and March. Willard McMillan, Robert Willson and J. Edward Hindman have served as its officers; president, vice-president and secretary, respectively. McMillan goes off the Board at Synod time, so Willson will serve as president until the election at the fall meeting.

#### **THE CARLETON CONFERENCE**

Jim Pennington, Director of Publications and Youth Ministries, took over the responsibilities of Program Coordinator following the last meeting of Synod. For this reason it has not been a normal year in the office, but the coordination of conference planning with other responsibilities has gone well. The Director has spent about one-fourth to one-third of his time on this effort.

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

The publication of the church's Testimony in parallel columns with the Westminster Confession and the modern language version of the Confession is almost completed. A sample copy of the revised Constitution of the RPCNA, including all recent revisions and corrections, should be available at the Synod meeting. Two quarters of material in the Junior Curriculum project will also be ready this summer. The video tape, **Improving Our Praise**, is being purchased for the most part, rather than rented and appears to be serving the church well. The marketing cover for the video and a user's guide have been completed and are now available.

The Psalter Tune Tape project has been delayed because the musician secured to do it has given up. Tim and Lori McCracken have agreed to take his place, and work is progressing well. The completed tape will present one stanza of all 450 Psalter tunes on keyboard. Such a tape has been requested by some who are interested in using the Psalter and are unfamiliar with their tunes. One of these is Mary Pride. Her books on home learning give favorable reviews of the Psalter and also mention **Praise Him** and the **Improving Our Praise** video.

Subscriptions to the **Covenanter Witness** have increased slightly this year. The Board has been perennially concerned because the subscription cost has been subsidized by the Synod to such a great extent. The Board has decided to increase the annual subscription rate to \$15 as soon as is feasible.

The 1987 Synod directed the Publications office to take over the publication of the **Minutes**. In this transitional year the process took a long time, but with a savings of about \$2000. Some of this was a result of getting competitive bids. Beginning next year we expect to complete the **Minutes** in considerably less time and also effect further savings.

Last Synod passed a special resolution requesting the Board to compile an index of Synod's policy statements. The Board decided to give priority to other projects and therefore requests the Synod to assign this task to someone with adequate time to do it and provide the resources as needed.

The state of the art in desk top publishing equipment has reached a level that warrants the purchase of such equipment by the church. The Board took action at its spring meeting to pursue this goal. We anticipate that within a few years the savings will off-set the cost of the equipment. This will improve the quality of our publications.

Charles McBurney has almost completed his part in the project of updating the biographical sketches of the ministers of the church, a task which he proposed. The Managing Editors will have to coordinate the publishing of the work with other publishing responsibilities, with respect to both time and money. Because of present priorities, they will not be able to do this soon.

## EDUCATION AND YOUTH MINISTRIES

The Director coordinated a one-day retreat for Covenanter students at Geneva in connection with the Missions Emphasis weekend in February. Mr. Pennington is planning to unveil a program for youth at the Carleton Conference. At the Conference he will also provide workshops for youth and a mini-conference on one afternoon for youth workers. In this first year of full-time direction in education and youth ministries, Mr. Pennington has given much time to Carleton planning. 1989 should see the youth program more fully implemented. One accomplishment during this year has been the researching of youth resources coupled with period-

ic review. A network of persons with expertise in youth work has been established. The Matchwork project designed to help the church youth locate work and places to live within bounds of Covenanter congregations is being continued.

Pennington is helping to plan a Joint Pre-Assembly/Synod Conference on the use of small groups in the ministry of the church. The OPC initiated the conference and invited the RPC to cooperate in the planning and program presentation. It will be held just before the 1989 meetings of the OPC Assembly and RPCNA Synod.

The Board has asked Pastor and Mrs. Robert McFarland to be the American coordinators for the Irish International Conference in 1990.

#### AN ADDITIONAL MARKETING NOTE

We are pleased to report that the fall sale of Psalters was a great success. Normal sales amounts were more than doubled.

Robert Willson and David Willson have been appointed to serve on the Committee on Church Headquarters in place of Wendell McBurney and Williard McMillan who are no longer on the Board.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. That the Nominating Committee consider J. Edward Hindman and Kathy Stegall for second terms on the Board and Norman Carson as a new member.
2. That Synod allocate up to \$2600 out of the Miscellaneous Fund to underwrite expenses for the 1989 Pre-Assembly/Synod Conference on the use of small groups (with the understanding that the fund will be reimbursed from the Conference fees).

Respectfully submitted,  
Willard McMillan, President

**Jerry Milroy presented the Report of the Interchurch Committee. Item 1 was referred to the Nominating Committee. Items 2 - 4 and 6 were adopted. Item 5 was returned to the Committee to report to the 1989 meeting of Synod. The following fraternal delegates brought greetings from their respective denominations to the Court either in the constituted court or in the seminars presented earlier in the Conference: Larry MacKensie from the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church; Howard Hart from the Reformed Church of the United States; Norman Shepherd from the Christian Reformed Church; Douglas Lee from the Presbyterian Church in America; Raymond Morton, from the Reformed Presbyterian Church of Scotland; Edward Donnelly from the Reformed Presbyterian Church of Ireland; Lynsey Blakston from the Presbytery of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of Australia. The Report as a whole was adopted and is as follows:**

**REPORT OF THE INTERCHURCH COMMITTEE**

Dear Fathers and Brethren,

Your committee met on November 10-11 in conjunction with the NAPARC meeting in Grand Rapids, Michigan, on January 21-22 in Beaver Falls, PA, and again at this meeting of Synod.

Some of the actions of NAPARC which will be of interest to Synod are: (1) Agreed to meet Nov. 2-3, 1988, in Philadelphia, PA with the KAPC as the host church; (2) The EPC is requesting membership in NAPARC. The Interim Committee will make its recommendation no later than August 15 and then each Interchurch committee will be notified so that they can vote on this request at the fall meeting of NAPARC; (3) All NAPARC Churches have now adopted the "Golden Rule Comity Agreement on Polity"; (4) The following "Agreement on Transfer of Members and Congregations" was adopted and is presented to each member church for adoption.

Recognizing that the churches of NAPARC have on occasion unintentionally received members or ordained officers who were under various states of discipline in another NAPARC church, thus creating tension between the churches, and at the same time recognizing the need for mutual freedom and openness on the part of the churches, we agree to respect the procedures of discipline and pastoral concern of the denominations as follows:

**1. Regular Transfer of Membership**

That in the regular transfer of membership between NAPARC churches, the session/consistory of presbytery/classis not receive a member until the appropriate document of transfer is in the hands of the receiving church.

**2. Transfer with Irregularities**

- a. That upon request for transfer of membership by a person under discipline, the sending session/consistory or presbytery/classis inform the receiving body of the nature and extent of the disciplinary procedure before implementing the requested transfer, thus enabling informal consultation between the pastors and elders of both churches.
- b. That such a person not be received officially until the judicatory/assembly of the receiving church has taken into serious account the discipline of and the information supplied by the sending church.
- c. That such a person not be received officially until the judicatory/assembly of the receiving church is satisfied that proper restitution has been made and/or reconciliation has been seriously attempted.
- d. That a "fugitive from discipline" who no longer is a member of a church or who is no longer on the roll of a presbytery shall not be received until the former judicatory/assembly has been contacted to determine if proper restitution has been made and/or reconciliation has been attempted.

**3. Recourse and Appeal**

Where communication or action regarding the sending/receiving of a member or ordained officer/office bearer does not satisfy either the dismissing or receiving judicatory/assembly, communication may be submitted to the interchurch relation committees of the denominations involved with a view to mediation of the problem. If this proves unsatisfactory, the session/consistory or presbytery/classis may register its concern to the appropriate judicatory/assembly of the other denomination.

**4. Congregational Transfer**

That a congregation seeking to leave a NAPARC church to become affiliated with another NAPARC denomination be received only after it has complied with the requirements of the form of government of the church from which it is separating, and the receiving church shall be responsible to see that this is done.

5. NAPARC maintains an index of study reports which have been conducted by the various member churches. If there is a subject which you are studying, there may be a report that another NAPARC church has already done on the same subject. A request to their clerk would probably get you a copy.
6. Each church presents a summary of some significant actions which their Synod/Assembly has taken in the past year. If you are interested in these summaries, you may contact any member of the committee.

While we were in Grand Rapids, your committee met with the Interchurch Committees of the PCA and the OPC. We discussed areas of agreement and divergent viewpoints in both doctrinal and practical matters.

In meeting with the PCA committee we considered a number of possibilities which might bring our churches closer together. (Items included music seminars in PCA presbyteries, having an RP heritage seminar, pulpit exchanges, concurrent presbytery meetings, involving RP men in such programs as the Pensacola Theological Institute, Greenville Presbyterian Seminary, Covenant College, and Ridge Haven. We asked Morton Smith and Jack White to investigate these possibilities and arrange what they can.)

In meeting with the OPC we discussed a number of issues and agreed to meet again in January to finalize our recommendations to our own Assembly/Synod. Our discussions centered in two areas: (1) plans for the concurrent meeting of Assemblies/Synods in June 1989 which both bodies have already agreed upon; and (2) areas relating to our mutual concern for the Unity of the Church particularly as it related to our two bodies.

With regard to the first item, we agreed that the concurrent assemblies should begin on Friday night, June 9, 1989, with a pre-conference of small groups in the church to be held on Thursday night and Friday, June 8-9, 1989. This program is already being planned by the OPC.

We also propose the following arrangements for the 1989 concurrent Assembly/Synod:

- (1) a 3-1/2 hour joint deliberation on Wednesday morning on the theme: "A Witness-Bearing Church," including both the history and theology of our differing approaches, and practical applications, to be arranged by the OPC Church and Society Committee and the E and P Board of the RPCNA;
- (2) a two-hour period in each judicatory to be set aside for observation by the other judicatory, with privileges of the floor, the exact times to be determined by the two clerks;
- (3) a Sabbath evening worship service with Dr. Jay Adams preaching (James Bosgraf alternate);
- (4) a banquet on Tuesday evening with an entertaining program.

Regarding the second item, our committees considered various ways in which our bodies could cooperate more closely and move toward eventual union. Our two committees agreed that:

"The Committees recommend that the churches agree:

- (1) that in principle our two churches should be one organizationally;
- (2) that they determine to work toward organic union;
- (3) that in union discussions the commitments that draw us together and the backgrounds, issues, and practices that have differentiated our churches shall be brought to the table;
- (4) that the Assembly/Synod meet concurrently in 1991 and at that time consider additional concurrent meetings;
- (5) that the Interchurch Committees be directed to devise a plan and structure that will provide cooperation immediately and move us toward union."

Thomas Reid asked that his dissent from the previous action be recorded.

Delegates were appointed to those Assemblies/Synods with whom we have fraternal relations. Stanley Copeland was appointed to be our delegate to the Synods of the Reformed Presbyterian Churches of Ireland and Scotland with up to \$200 to be provided for his travel expenses. A delegate was sent to the NAE convention.

It was agreed to inquire about our having an observer at the meeting of the International Conference of Reformed Churches which will be meeting June 1989 in Cloverdale, B.C., Canada.

The Committee considered information regarding Evangelical Reformed Church in France. It was agreed that Thomas Reid would arrange to meet with them during his trip to Europe in the Spring of 1989.

The committee has discussed some concerns regarding certain trends which we believe we see in the Christian Reformed Church. We hope to be able to meet with their Interchurch Committee at the fall meeting of NAPARC to discuss these concerns.

The following is a summary of the Delegate expenses for the calendar year 1988:

NAE	\$1019.67
RCUS	224.30
ARP	210.60
Free Church	13.20
NAPARC and Committee meetings	2236.91
Miscellaneous	195.77
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$3900.45</b>

**Recommendations:**

1. The terms of Jerrold S. Milroy and John McMillian expire at this meeting of Synod. Since Jerry has completed the allowed two terms, the Committee nominated J. Bruce Martin, John McMillian, and Robert Tweed.
2. Inasmuch as John H. White has been elected president of NAE, we recommend that he be given 10 minutes to address the Synod on the state of the Evangelical scene at this time.
3. That Synod agree to meet concurrently with the OPC General Assembly June 9, 1989, at Geneva College. (This recommendation was adopted by Synod 1987 except for the exact date).
4. That Synod approve the plans made for the concurrent Assembly/Synod meeting as outlined in the body of this report.
5. That Synod approve the points of agreement regarding the desirability of union between the OPC and the RPCNA as described in the body of this report.
6. That Synod adopt without change the proposed "Agreement on Transfer of Members and Congregations."

Respectfully submitted,  
Thomas Reid  
Bruce Stewart  
John McMillian  
Paul Martin  
John H. White  
Jerrold S. Milroy, Chairman

**The following recommendation from Lynsey Blakston, the fraternal delegate from the Presbytery of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of Australia, was entered into the Minutes:** That Synod needs to clarify its view of the organic relationship between the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America, the Reformed Presbyterian Church of Ireland, the Reformed Presbyterian Church of Scotland, and the Reformed Presbyterian Church of Australia and the need and means of maintaining a global Reformed Presbyterian testimony, especially in the light of discussions of

possible organic union with other churches and testimony revisions within the churches.

**Steven McMahan presented the Report of the Committee on Finance. Items 1 - 11 were adopted.**

**The Court took recess in prayer by Timothy Russell to meet again at 2 p.m. Monday afternoon.**

**MONDAY, AUGUST 8, 1988, 2 P.M.**

**The Court was reconvened in prayer by Ed Robson.**

**The Roll was noted.**

**The Minutes were read, amended and adopted.**

**The Report of the Committee on Finance was taken up. Item 12 - 19 were adopted. In keeping with Item 19 Howard Elliott led the Court in prayer. The Report as a whole was adopted and is as follows:**

#### **REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE**

The Committee on Finance has met three times during the 1988 Synod and has sought to respond to all matters it anticipated would be referred to it. Its task has been difficult due to the shortened Synod as well as the increasing financial requests and the lack of resources to fully fund the *real* needs of the requesting groups. We have appreciated the prayers of Synod and others as we have wrestled with the decisions before us.

We remind Synod of two actions taken last year in approving recommendations 1 and 17 of the 1987 report (pages 85 and 86 of the **1987 Minutes of Synod**). Clerks of Presbyteries, please see (1) that deacon delegates are selected well in advance of Synod and their names forwarded to both the Clerk of Synod and the Chairman of the Committee on Finance, and 2) that each presbytery appoint a person to visit each congregation under its care for the purpose of presenting the RPM&M program. We believe these actions are important in informing the denomination of its financial needs and that these actions will result in stronger support for the RPM&M.

#### **Recommendations:**

1. That Presbyteries choose their deacon delegates well in advance of Synod, and forward their names and addresses to both the Clerk of Synod and to the Chairman of the Committee on Finance. This will allow a Docket and the **Deacon Delegate's Notebook** to be sent out in advance.

2. That since the terms of William Metcalfe and Robert Catloth expire at this meeting of Synod, and since William Metcalfe has served two consecutive terms, that the following persons be nominated for the Committee on Finance: Robert Catloth, elder, Lawrence, Kansas, and Brent Wells, deacon, Columbus, Ohio.
3. That the 1987 Synod's Board of Trustees Audit Report be accepted as distributed and that it be printed in the **Minutes of Synod**.
4. That the 1987 Pension Trustees Audit Report be accepted.
5. That the 1987 Treasurer's Report be received for information.
6. ~~That~~ Synod set the minimum contribution rate at \$600 for each employer for each employee which participates in Pension Plan "B" for 1989.
7. That Synod set the congregational assessment for the Pension Fund for 1989 at \$12.00 per communicant member (based on membership as of December 31, 1988).
8. That the Travel Fund Assessment for 1989 be set at \$8.00 per communicant member based on membership as of December 31, 1988.
9. That the proposed budget for the Unallocated Denominational Office Expenses be approved which includes the salary of \$33,500 for the Denominational Treasurer (1988 salary - \$32,500).
10. That the following salaries as recommended by the E & P Board be approved: Director of Publications/Y.M. - \$27,295; Managing Editors - \$25,960 (1987 - \$25,200).
11. That the first \$100,000 which the Foreign Mission Board receives from the Edyth Allan Estate Bequest be used in the 1988 and 1989 current accounts and that the balance of the Bequest received be placed in a special account for a new field.
12. That Synod approve the Foreign Mission Board's Congregational Missionary Sponsorship Program for the years 1988, 1989, and 1990, and that this Program be reviewed by the 1990 Synod for approval.
13. That Synod grant the Graduate Study Fund the amount of \$11,250 for Duncan Lowe from Synod's Miscellaneous Fund.
14. That Synod grant the amount of \$1,000 to the National Association of Evangelical's Foundation for Impact Program. That \$500 be paid in 1988 from Synod's Miscellaneous Fund and \$500 be paid in 1989 from Synod's Miscellaneous Fund.
15. That up to \$47,152 be granted from Undesignated Funds of Synod to pay the R.P.M. & M. deficit for the year 1987, (depending on the success of the 1987 Deficit Donation Program) and that the allocation to Geneva College be reduced to \$20,000, unless additional undesignated funds are received in 1988 which would make the maximum allocation of 50% of the McLaughlin Trust income (up to \$50,000) possible.
16. That Synod approve the following 1989 disbursements from contributions and Undesignated Funds of Synod:

1989		1989		
		Undesignated		Totals
Requested		Grant	Funds	Totals
\$131,148	Education and Publication	\$ 88,440	\$13,560	\$102,000
90,000	Foreign Mission Board	56,430	8,570	65,000
50,000	Geneva College	19,140	2,860	22,000
59,000	Home Mission Board	-0-	-0-	-0-*
71,000	Pension Trustees	43,560	6,440	50,000
130,599	Seminary	78,210	11,790	90,000
30,000	Woman's Association	19,140	2,800	22,000
36,000	Miscellaneous Fund	25,080	3,920	29,000
\$597,747	TOTALS	\$330,000	\$50,000	\$380,000

\*Funded for 1989 by bequests.

17. That Synod instruct the Denominational Treasurer to disburse the amount over \$330,000 raised in 1989 from congregations, individuals and Women's Synodical to the following Boards, Trustees, etc. per the percentages shown:

Education and Publication	25%
Foreign Mission Board	22%
Pension Trustees	18%
Seminary	35%

18. That Synod recommend that Synod's Board of Trustees appoint Robert Catloth and Howard Elliott to its Stewardship Committee.

19. That following the adoption of this Report, Synod rise for prayer for continued financial blessing, as led by D. Howard Elliott.

Robert Catloth	Respectfully submitted,
D. Howard Elliott	Paul Hensleigh, Midwest
Don Lamont	Dwight Adams, Ohio-Illinois
Marcia Sebring	Katharine Plowmaker, Alleghenies
Steven McMahan, Chairman	Larry E. Gladfelter, Jr., Atlantic
R.R. 1 Clay Center, KS 67432	Kim Robb, Iowa

**The following special resolutions were adopted:**

1. That a forgivable loan of \$6300 from the Miscellaneous Fund be granted to Bruce Hemphill for graduate study.
2. That \$2300 from the 1988 Miscellaneous Fund which had been appropriated for Bruce Hemphill for 1988 be made available to him for 1989 and \$4000 from the 1989 Miscellaneous fund.

**The Committee on Finance reported that in light of the \$4000 approved for Bruce Hemphill for 1989 from the Graduate Study Fund, we recommend that Synod authorize that the Miscellaneous Fund budget reflect a \$4000 deficit in 1989.**

AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Trustees of the Synod of the  
Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America:

We have examined the financial statements and supplemental schedules of the Trustees of the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America (the "Trustees") as of December 31, 1987 and 1986 and for the years then ended, listed in the accompanying index. Our examinations were made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and, accordingly, included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

As described in Note 6 to the financial statements, pension benefits incurred under Pension Plan "A" have been charged to expense when paid. In our opinion, generally accepted accounting principles require that amounts charged to pension expense be determined using an acceptable actuarial cost method. Use of actuarially determined costs would have resulted in an increase in pension liability of approximately \$725,000, an increase in investments of approximately \$125,000 and a decrease in the unrestricted-designated fund balance of approximately \$600,000 at December 31, 1987.

In our opinion, except for the effects of not accounting for pension costs in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles as discussed in the preceding paragraph, the accompanying financial statements present fairly the financial position of the Trustees at December 31, 1987 and 1986 and the results of their operations and the changes in their fund balances for the years then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a consistent basis.

Our examinations were made for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The supplemental schedules listed in the accompanying index are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such supplemental schedules have been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the examination of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, except for the effect on the supplemental schedule of support and revenue, expenses, and changes in fund balances of the designated fund and on the supplemental balance sheet of the designated fund of not accounting for pension expense in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles as explained in the second preceding paragraph, are fairly stated in all material respects when considered in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

*Deloitte Haskins & Sells*

April 22, 1988

## BALANCE SHEET, DECEMBER 31, 1987

ASSETS	NOTES	EXPENDABLE FUNDS — OPERATING		PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT FUND		NONEXPENDABLE FUNDS		TOTAL FUNDS
		UNRESTRICTED	UNDESIGNATED	RESTRICTED	DESIGNATED	ENDOWMENT	ANNUITY AND LIFE INCOME	
Cash and investments	1,2	\$119,539	\$ 448,532	\$32,157		\$3,125,458	\$1,006,973	\$1,143,538
Accounts and notes receivable		28,122	33,148	10,723				5,737,119
Contributions receivable			43,616				2,326	74,319
Accrued investment income receivable	1		44,261	163				43,616
Prepaid pension expense			186					67,892
Deferred student aid receivable								186
(Net of allowance for uncollectible accounts of \$32,500)								80,927
Inventories	1	80,927	62,430					62,430
Buildings loans receivable	3	424,484						424,484
Property and equipment — net	1,4		41,524	6,859	\$86,682			86,682
Other assets								48,383
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		<b>\$ 8,583</b>	<b>\$1,179,108</b>	<b>\$49,902</b>	<b>\$86,682</b>	<b>\$3,125,458</b>	<b>\$1,018,502</b>	<b>\$6,626,036</b>
<b>LIABILITIES, DEFERRED RESTRICTED AMOUNTS AND FUND BALANCES</b>								
Accounts payable and accrued expenses		\$ 1,708	\$ 91,977			\$ 10,554	\$ 40,725	\$ 132,064
Payable to denomination-related organisations	1,5						116,260	\$1,115,772
Revocable trusts	1						42,031	1,222,032
Total liabilities								42,031
Deferred restricted amounts	1,5							1,427,027
<b>Fund balances:</b>								
Unrestricted:								
Designated								1,173,013
Undesignated								6,873
<b>Restricted</b>								2,116,904
<b>Total fund balances</b>		<b>6,875</b>	<b>1,087,131</b>		<b>\$86,682</b>	<b>\$3,114,904</b>		<b>4,295,592</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$ 8,583</b>	<b>\$1,179,108</b>	<b>\$49,902</b>	<b>\$86,682</b>	<b>\$3,125,458</b>	<b>\$1,018,502</b>	<b>\$6,626,036</b>

See notes to financial statements.

ASSETS	EXPENDABLE FUNDS — OPERATING		PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT FUND	NONEXPENDABLE FUNDS		TOTAL FUNDS
	UNRESTRICTED NOTES UNDESIGNATED	RESTRICTED DESIGNATED		ENDOWMENT	ANNUITY AND LIFE INCOME	
Cash and investments	1,2	\$132,191 13,745	\$ 502,408 32,393	\$13,642 10,723	\$2,629,429	\$ 991,045 \$5,161,776
Accounts and notes receivable						56,861
Contributions receivable	1		37,947			37,947
Accrued investment income receivable			47,726	175		75,019
Prepaid pension expense			10,064			10,064
Deferred student aid receivable						
(Net of allowance for uncollectible accounts of \$24,000)	1		75,603 32,029			75,603 32,029
Inventories	1		379,090			379,090
Building loans receivable	3					100,713
Property and equipment — net	1,4		43,500	4,975		48,475
Other assets						
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$145,936</b>	<b>\$1,160,760</b>	<b>\$49,715</b>	<b>\$2,629,429</b>	<b>\$885,319</b> <b>\$5,977,572</b>
<b>LIABILITIES, DEFERRED RESTRICTED AMOUNTS AND FUND BALANCES</b>						
Accounts payable and accrued expenses		\$ 6,853	\$ 77,200		\$ 10,163	\$ 90,024
Due to Pension Plan "B"			7,972			7,972
Deferred pension credit			4,724			4,724
Payable to denomination-related organizations	1,5					
Revocable trusts	1					
Total liabilities		<b>6,853</b>	<b>89,896</b>	<b>\$49,715</b>	<b>10,163</b>	<b>963,067</b> <b>42,638</b>
Deferred restricted amounts	1,5					
Fund balances:						
Unrestricted:						
Designated						
Undesignated	139,083	1,070,864		\$100,713		1,171,577 139,083
Restricted						
Total fund balances	<b>139,083</b>	<b>1,070,864</b>	<b>\$49,715</b>	<b>\$100,713</b>	<b>2,619,266</b> <b>2,619,266</b>	<b>2,619,266</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$145,936</b>	<b>\$1,160,760</b>	<b>\$49,715</b>	<b>\$100,713</b>	<b>\$2,629,429</b> <b>\$885,319</b>	<b>\$1,003,705</b> <b>\$5,977,572</b>

See notes to financial statements.

TRUSTEES OF THE SYNOD OF THE REFORMED  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN NORTH AMERICA  
STATEMENT OF SUPPORT AND REVENUE, EXPENSES,  
CAPITAL ADDITIONS, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1987

NOTES	EXPENDABLE FUNDS — OPERATING			PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT FUND	NONEXPENDABLE ENDOWMENT FUND	TOTAL FUNDS
	UNRESTRICTED UNDESIGNATED	RESTRICTED DESIGNATED	UNRESTRICTED UNDESIGNATED			
<b>SUPPORT AND REVENUE:</b>						
Contributions to Synod's budget	\$ 274,467					\$ 274,467
Other contributions	40,246					40,246
Bequests	43,593					43,593
Investment income	229,517	\$ 6,814				232,331
Sales of publications, etc.	54,942					54,942
Dividends, fees and assessments	174,547					174,547
Net gain on investment transactions	68,111	1,934				70,045
Rental income	43,965					43,965
Other income	94,812	37				94,849
<b>Total</b>	<b>170,676</b>		<b>8,785</b>			<b>1,223,661</b>
<b>EXPENSES:</b>						
Home mission	83,054					83,054
Theological seminary	349,704					349,704
Foreign mission	307,493					307,493
Education and publication	166,441					166,441
Pensions	185,803					185,803
Grants						20,000
Miscellaneous						136,581
General office and administration						90,038
<b>Total</b>	<b>85,500</b>		<b>5,400</b>			<b>1,257,357</b>
<b>105,500</b>	<b>1,223,678</b>		<b>22,779</b>			
<b>EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF SUPPORT AND REVENUE OVER EXPENSES BEFORE CAPITAL ADDITIONS, ETC.</b>						
<b>CAPITAL ADDITIONS:</b>						
Net gain on investment transactions						
Contributions	65,176	(179,478)	3,385	(22,779)		(132,696)
<b>AMORTIZATION OF OVERFUNDING OF PENSION PLAN "B"</b>						
			4,724			4,724
<b>TRANSFERS BETWEEN FUNDS:</b>						
From unrestricted for designated activities	(196,295)					
From unrestricted for equipment acquisitions	(1,089)	(7,639)				
From restricted to unrestricted designated		3,305				1,000
From unrestricted designated to Endowment Fund		(1,000)				
<b>FUND BALANCES AT BEGINNING OF YEAR</b>						
<b>FUND BALANCES AT END OF YEAR</b>						
See notes to financial statements.						

STATEMENT OF SUPPORT AND REVENUE, EXPENSES,  
CAPITAL ADDITIONS, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1986

REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

NOTES		EXPENDABLE FUNDS -- OPERATING		PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT FUND	NONEXPENDABLE ENDOWMENT FUND	TOTAL FUNDS
		UNRESTRICTED DESIGNATED	RESTRICTED			
SUPPORT AND REVENUE:						
Contributions to Syzed's budget		\$ 261,356			\$ 261,356	
Other contributions		90,838			90,838	
Bequests		50,935			50,935	
Investment income		227,736		\$ 7,002	232,742	
Sales of publications, etc.		31,754			31,754	
Dividends, fees and assessments		163,694			163,694	
Net gain on investment transactions		37,667		1,474	39,141	
Rental income		34,311			34,311	
Other income		5,432		184	53,988	
Total		<u>271,034</u>		<u>8,660</u>		<u>1,226,319</u>
EXPENSES:						
Home session		44,483			44,483	
Theological seminary		352,232			367,914	
Foreign mission		269,033			269,033	
Education and publication		159,031			161,049	
Pensions		174,762			174,762	
Grants		52,545			52,545	
Miscellaneous		99,350			104,750	
General office and administration		<u>76,974</u>		<u>3,032</u>		<u>80,006</u>
Total		<u>129,519</u>		<u>5,400</u>		<u>1,255,322</u>
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF SUPPORT AND REVENUE OVER EXPENSES BEFORE CAPITAL ADDITIONS, ETC.						
CAPITAL ADDITIONS:						
Net gain on investment transactions						
Contributions						
AMORTIZATION OF OVERFUNDING OF PENSION PLAN "B"						
		15,049			15,049	
TRANSFERS BETWEEN FUNDS:						
From unrestricted for designated activities		(175,128)				
From unrestricted for equipment acquisitions		(11,967)				
From restricted to unrestricted designated		3,260				
From unrestricted designated to endowment fund		(5,000)				
					5,000	
FUND BALANCES AT BEGINNING OF YEAR						
		174,225			108,029	
		<u>1,047,360</u>				<u>2,253,391</u>
		<u>11,070,864</u>			<u>100,713</u>	
		<u>1129,082</u>				<u>21,619,266</u>
See notes to financial statements.						

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

## 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

General - The financial statements of the Trustees of the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America (the "Trustees"), a non-profit corporation organized in Pennsylvania, have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting.

Basis of Presentation - The Synod is the highest court in the denomination known as the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America. The Trustees hold title to property and are responsible to the Synod for managing and reporting on the financial condition of the denomination. The financial activities are accomplished through various boards and committees of the Synod. Congregations and domestic and foreign missions are sanctioned by the Synod through such boards and seven regional Presbyteries. The accompanying financial statements include the assets, liabilities, fund balances and financial activities of the Trustees and of various boards and committees.

Although sanctioned by the Synod, domestic congregations and missions and foreign mission fields of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America do not have financial accountability to the Trustees. Accordingly, the assets, liabilities, fund balances and financial activities of such organizations are not included in the accompanying financial statements, although the Trustees hold title to certain assets of active and inactive domestic missions and congregations and in foreign mission fields. Periodically, certain of these assets, to which the Trustees hold title, are sold. Proceeds from the sale of such assets are recorded at the time of disposition. Further, funds disbursed in support of domestic and foreign mission fields are charged to expense in the accompanying financial statements.

Funds - The accounts of the Trustees are classified for accounting purposes into funds, established according to their nature and purpose. These accounts (or individual funds) have been grouped in the accompanying financial statements in accordance with certain characteristics as explained below.

- Expendable funds - operating, consisting of the following:
  - .. Undesignated funds, representing expendable unrestricted funds which are available, at the discretion of the Synod, for support of any operations, functions or other matters.
  - .. Designated funds, representing expendable unrestricted funds which have been designated by the Synod, through the establishment of various boards, for investment in and support of a particular purpose or program. Revenues earned from investment of such funds also are designated for use.
  - .. Restricted funds which have been designated by donors, grantors or other outside parties for support of particular purposes.
- Property and equipment fund, representing the carrying value of real estate, library, fixtures and equipment, substantially all of which are designated by the Synod for use as a theological seminary.
- Nonexpendable funds, consisting of the following:
  - .. Endowment funds (including term endowments) that are subject to restrictions of gift instruments or of other means of conveyance requiring in perpetuity, or until the occurrence of some remote event, that the principal be invested and only the income used.
  - .. Annuity and life income funds that are subject to agreements whereby assets are made available to the Trustees on the condition that the Trustees be bound to pay to the donor or other designated person or organization a stipulated amount or the income earned on fund assets for a period of time specified in the agreements. The balances in such funds are reported as deferred restricted amounts and any excesses of income over required disbursements are generally reported as unrestricted income. Under the terms of certain agreements, denomination related organizations have directed the Trustees to reinvest income earned on fund assets to which they are otherwise entitled to receive. The total amount of such income reinvested is reported as payable to denomination-related organizations.

.. Custodian funds that represent funds received by the Trustees from congregations, Presbyteries, other denomination-related organizations and individuals which are invested for the benefit of and are returnable upon request to such sources. Such funds are reported as either payable to denomination-related organizations or as revocable trusts.

Expendable Operating Restricted Resources - Operating funds which have been restricted by the donor, grantor or other outside party for particular operating purposes are deemed to be earned and reported as revenues of expendable operating restricted funds to the extent the Trustees have incurred expenditures in compliance with the specific restrictions. Amounts received but not yet earned are reported as deferred restricted amounts.

Property and Equipment - Land, buildings and improvements, and furniture, fixtures and equipment are carried at cost or estimated fair value at the date of gift. Proceeds from the sale of fixed assets are transferred to expendable operating unrestricted funds. Depreciation is provided over the estimated useful lives of the respective assets on a straight-line basis.

Cash and Investments - The cash and investment amounts for all funds of the Trustees are commingled and are allocated for financial reporting purposes based on assets (other than cash and investments), liabilities and fund balance. Investments are recorded at the lower of cost (or fair market value at the date of gift) or market. Net realized gain or loss on the disposition of investments is the difference between the proceeds received and the average cost of investments sold.

Substantially all investments are pooled and allocation of income (ordinarily income and gains and losses upon sale or other disposition of investments) to the various funds is accomplished using the market value unit method. Substantially all ordinary income from investments of endowment funds is restricted for support of particular purposes. These purposes are usually broad enough to be encompassed within one of the designated boards of the Synod.

Other Matters - Inventories (principally religious publications) are carried at the lower of average cost or market.

Contributions received during early January from congregations and individuals are recorded as receivables when such amounts relate to the prior year's budget. Such contributions are recorded as expendable operating funds, unrestricted.

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Advances made to eligible seminary students for payment of tuition, summer training fees and living expenses (deferred student aid receivable) are recorded as a deferred charge and are amortized to expense, usually over a period of five years from the date that the graduate seminarian begins service for the Synod. Repayment of advances must be made only if the student or graduate does not provide service to the Synod. An allowance for uncollectible student aid has been established for potentially uncollectible amounts.

## 2. CASH AND INVESTMENTS

The market values of cash and investments by fund group are as follows at December 31, 1987 and 1986:

<u>Fund Group</u>	<u>Market Values - December 31</u>	
	<u>1987</u>	<u>1986</u>
Expendable funds - operating:		
Unrestricted - undesignated	\$ (19,539)	\$ 213,114
Unrestricted - designated	628,368	809,967
Restricted	44,867	54,559
Nonexpendable funds:		
Endowment	4,327,646	4,163,816
Annuity and life income	1,404,968	1,407,200
Custodian	1,578,305	1,571,631
Total	<u>\$7,964,615</u>	<u>\$8,220,287</u>

Cash and investments at December 31, 1987 and 1986 are comprised of the following:

	<u>1987</u>		<u>1986</u>	
	<u>Carrying Value</u>	<u>Market Value</u>	<u>Carrying Value</u>	<u>Market Value</u>
Cash in bank	\$ 17,949	\$ 17,949	\$ 115,923	\$ 115,923
Paine Webber				
CashFund	236,170	236,170	241,828	241,828
U.S. Government				
obligations	306,347	327,699	306,347	346,850
U. S. Government				
agency securi-				
ties	286,530	297,589	485,303	513,489
Corporate common				
stocks	2,355,992	4,579,163	1,997,662	4,954,765
Corporate bonds				
General mortgages	1,829,253	1,757,483	1,501,535	1,490,570
receivable	468,531	468,531	274,809	274,809
Real estate				
Revocable trust	194,316	238,000	194,316	238,000
cash fund	42,031	42,031	44,053	44,053
Total	<u>\$5,737,112</u>	<u>\$7,964,615</u>	<u>\$5,161,776</u>	<u>\$8,220,287</u>

General mortgages receivable are due over periods from one to twenty years and bear annual interest ranging from 5% to 15%. The aggregate annual maturities of general mortgages receivable at December 31, 1987 are as follows:

<u>Year Ending</u>	<u>Amount</u>
1988	\$ 37,811
1989	23,289
1990	24,968
1991	21,756
1992	17,668
After 1992	343,039
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$468,531</b>

The general mortgages receivable at December 31, 1987 and 1986 are due from the following groups:

	<u>1987</u>	<u>1986</u>
Congregations of the denomination	\$100,352	\$ 81,280
Ministers of the denomination	185,830	138,241
Members of the denomination	58,124	24,120
Commercial	124,225	31,168
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$468,531</b>	<b>\$274,809</b>

The following summarizes the changes in relationships between carrying values and market values of cash and investments for the years ended December 31, 1987 and 1986:

	<u>Carrying Value</u>	<u>Market Value</u>	<u>Unrealized Appreciation</u>	
			<u>1987</u>	<u>1986</u>
December 31, 1987	<u>\$5,737,119</u>	<u>\$7,964,615</u>	\$2,227,496	
December 31, 1986	<u>\$5,161,776</u>	<u>\$8,220,287</u>	3,058,511	\$3,058,511
January 1, 1986	<u>\$4,708,835</u>	<u>\$7,491,138</u>		2,782,303
Increase (decrease) in unrealized appreciation for the year			<u>\$ (831,015)</u>	<u>\$ 276,208</u>
Realized net gain for the year			<u>\$ 825,678</u>	<u>\$ 633,456</u>

During the years ended December 31, 1987 and 1986, the average annual yield on investments excluding realized net gains (calculated by dividing total dividends, interest, and net rental income earned on investments during the year by the average of the beginning of the year and end of the year carrying value of investments, excluding cash in bank) was 8.2% and 9.0%, respectively, and the annual total return (calculated by dividing total dividends, interest, net rental income and realized net gains earned on investments during the year by the average of the beginning of the year and end of the year carrying value of investments, excluding cash in bank) was 23.5% and 22.1%, respectively.

### 3. BUILDING LOANS RECEIVABLE

Substantially all of the building loans receivable at December 31, 1987 and 1986 have been granted by the Building Loan Committee at interest rates ranging from 1% to 13% for the purchase or construction of residences or church buildings. Such loans are generally made to either ministers, employees of the Synod, or congregations. At December 31, 1987 and 1986 the composition of the balances receivable were due from:

	December 31	
	<u>1987</u>	<u>1986</u>
Congregations and denominational boards	\$280,418	\$260,770
Ministers of the denomination	90,409	87,135
Employees of the Synod	8,419	4,636
Other	45,238	26,549
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$424,484</b>	<b>\$379,090</b>

### 4. PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT

The components of property and equipment at December 31, 1987 and 1986 are as follows:

	December 31	
	<u>1987</u>	<u>1986</u>
Buildings and improvements	\$210,203	\$210,203
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	106,755	98,007
<b>Total</b>	<b>316,958</b>	<b>308,210</b>
Less accumulated depreciation	230,276	207,497
<b>Property and equipment - net</b>	<b>\$ 86,682</b>	<b>\$100,713</b>

Depreciation expense for the years ended December 31, 1987 and 1986 totaled \$22,779 and \$20,512, respectively.

## 5. CHANGES IN DEFERRED RESTRICTED AMOUNTS AND IN PAYABLE TO DENOMINATION-RELATED ORGANIZATIONS

	Expendable Funds Deferred Restricted	Annuity and Life Income Funds Payables	Custodian Funds - Payables
Balances at January 1, 1986	\$49,899	\$ 84,340	\$648,806
Additions:			\$ 991,048
Investment income	7,002	5,084	50,184
Net gains on investment transactions	1,474	13,755	91,299
Contributions			108,566
			16,108
Deductions:			
Funds expended	(5,400)	(4,856)	(54,117)
Transfer to unrestricted - designated	<u>(3,260)</u>	_____	_____
Balances at December 31, 1986	49,715	98,323	736,172
			1,005,705
Additions:			
Investment income	7,038	4,923	49,584
Net gains on investment transactions	1,934	18,056	119,159
Contributions			144,080
			9,284
Deductions:			
Funds expended	(5,400)	(5,042)	(51,398)
Transfer to unrestricted - designated	<u>(3,385)</u>	_____	_____
Balances at December 31, 1987	<u>\$49,902</u>	<u>\$116,260</u>	<u>\$853,517</u>
			<u>\$1,157,803</u>

## 6. PENSION PLANS

There are two pension plans (Plan "A" and Plan "B") which were adopted effective January 1, 1974 and together cover all ministers, missionaries and employees of the Synod. Effective January 1, 1984, the provisions of Plan "B" were restated. Comprehensive actuarial reports and valuations are not available for Plan "B". Accordingly, the amounts,

if any, of past service cost, vested benefits, "normal" cost and accrued pension fund liability have not been determined. However, the final determination of such amounts is not expected to have a material effect on the accompanying financial statements.

Plan "A" - Plan "A" is non-contributory and covers basically ministers, missionaries and employees of the Synod who were age 55 and over on January 1, 1974, the date of adoption of the plan. Total pension expense for the years ended December 31, 1987 and 1986 was \$109,954 and \$109,881, respectively. This plan is self-administered and pension benefits, which are charged to pension expense, are substantially all paid from ordinary investment income, proceeds of sales of certain investments or funds transferred from the Pension Board.

Under Plan "A", the Trustees charge pension benefits to expense as incurred and credit investment income and net gain on investment transactions to revenue. Generally accepted accounting principles require that pension expense be determined using an acceptable actuarial cost method. Use of actuarially determined costs as of the most recent valuation (January 1, 1987) for Plan "A" would have resulted in an increase in pension liability of approximately \$725,000, an increase in investments of approximately \$125,000 and a decrease in the unrestricted-designated fund balance of approximately \$600,000 as of December 31, 1987. Investments with a cost of approximately \$314,000 and market value of approximately \$439,000, included in the financial statements of the Trustees, are available to satisfy a portion of the Plan A pension liability. A 9% assumed rate of return was used in determining the present value of accumulated vested benefits. There are no non-vested accumulated benefits.

Plan "B"

Plan "B" is contributory and covers substantially all ministers, missionaries and employees of the Synod who are not covered under Plan "A". Total pension expense for the years ended December 31, 1987 and 1986 was \$39,414 and \$40,199, respectively, which includes amortization of past service cost over an average period of approximately 25 years, and is recorded under unrestricted-designated. The Trustees' policy is to fund pension costs accrued. Plan "B" is administered and the funds are invested by the Pension Trustees of the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America. The estimated amount of vested benefits as of December 31, 1987 is less than the amount of the net assets of Plan "B".

## 7. CONTINGENT ASSETS

Approximately \$609,000 of assets (based on December 31, 1987 exchange rates) are held in blocked accounts in Cyprus. The assets consist of \$183,000 in cash and \$426,000 in mortgages receivable. During 1986, the government of Cyprus authorized the Trustees to remove from Cyprus, on an annual basis, 5,000 Cypriot pounds (\$11,000 at December 31, 1987 exchange rates) plus interest earned on the assets. During 1987, the government authorized the removal of the interest earned plus one-fifth of the principal of the blocked accounts. Because of the restrictions imposed on these assets and the uncertainty with regard to their realization, they are not recorded as assets by the Trustees until received. Approximately \$62,000 and \$7,000 were received in 1987 and 1986, respectively.

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**The following statement concerning the life of Miss Edyth M. Allen who designated a significant portion of her estate for the work of the Synod was entered in the Minutes:**

On March 27, 1988, Miss Edyth M. Allen was called to her heavenly home. Edyth and Lee, her brother, received strong Christian training and developed a devoted loyalty to the church from their mother, Mrs. Maggie Allen. Following Edyth's graduation from Geneva College in 1929, she continued her studies in training to be a missionary, but due to the depression she was not sent out. She then devoted her life to teaching, primarily in the Sparta schools. Throughout the years the Allen family gave very generously of both their time and money to the church.

**The Nominating Committee held a run-off election.**

**James Carson presented the Report of the Committee on Administration. Items 1 - 5 were adopted. The Committee was assigned the duty to make a study of denominational priorities. The Report as a whole was adopted and is as follows:**

#### **REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE DETAIL**

This Committee was appointed in 1987 with the following assignment: "That in order to assist elders who are called to prayer and the full-orbed ministry of God's Word that a committee composed of . . . be appointed to study and recommend procedures whereby the administrative details of the church can be handled in a more efficient and Biblically consistent manner."

The committee has held three meetings: On October 15, 1987 and January 28, 1988 in Beaver Falls, PA; and on April 29, 1988 in Indianapolis, Indiana.

At the first meeting, the direction of the committee was established and three sub-committees of two members each were appointed to study and report. As these committees reported and throughout all of our discussion, we have all sensed an urgency to the task to which we have been called. We share with you some of the considerations that urgency produced.

#### **The Call for Confession and Change**

- a. The reason for this committee's existence lies in the Synod's response to both speeches and preaching at the 1987 Synod calling attention to our neglect of what we all recognize as priorities in our calling.
- b. Synod should be aware of the "signs of the times", especially when considering our own lack of numerical growth both in terms of conversions and the building of new churches. What has happened to our consciences regarding the lostness of the lost?

c. The Biblical procedure for dealing with these conditions calls for the confession of our sins together with a readiness to change. The Lord told Solomon, "If My people . . . humble themselves and pray, and seek My face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, will forgive their sin, and will heal their land" (II Chron. 7:14). Nehemiah followed this procedure before attempting to build Jerusalem's walls.

### The Changes Called For

If a Synod maintains the proper emphases, its procedures will be in harmony with those purposes. Consequently before procedures come purposes. Some changes seem to be called for.

- a. We sense a growing concern for the conversion of the lost and for multiplying growing, rather than dying, churches. Hence, synod should give priority to the reports of Presbyteries. Do these reports reflect an accurate picture of the state of congregations and trends?
- b. We sense a concern for the theology and purpose of a Synod. Hence, Synod should clarify the particular purpose of the RPCNA with respect to evangelism, worship and mission; and should cultivate oneness in purpose, while providing for diversity in the Synod's functions.
- c. We sense a need to recognize and utilize the gifts of the members of Synod. Hence, Synod should seek to orient itself—and especially its new members each year—to its function, protocol, structure, and objectives, giving attention to the way every member can fit in and exercise their gifts.
- d. We recognize the necessity of Biblical fellowship to the health and joy of the church as a fundamental ingredient for any and all of its life and action. Hence, the Synod should organize itself to foster "the communion of saints" throughout the course of its gatherings while pursuing its purposes.

### Some Ideas We Have Discussed

The following suggestions are some of the proposals that have emerged in the course of our meetings. They are noted here as a means of sharing with you the direction of our discussions and also to encourage your sharing with members of this committee ideas you have had which could be considered. This report is preliminary. We do have some recommendations, but they come later. Let these ideas then serve at this point as suggestive.

1. A format for Presbytery reports which will accent evangelism, worship, and mission, and have these reports included in the Digest so intelligent evaluation could accompany their presentation.
2. An orientation program prior to the opening of Synod for new members, including a "packet" of information describing the function, protocol, structure and objectives of the Synod.

3. A procedure for processing reports and papers before presentation to the Synod, ensuring that:
  - (a) as a paper it was both in content and form worthy of the Synod's consideration, or;
  - (b) as a report demonstrated a genuine effort by those responsible, so that Synod may avoid working as a Committee-of-the-whole.
4. A step beyond our present procedure by which participants in the Synod's RPM&M Budget would agree in advance on their respective share in congregational giving to RPM&M, promoting a better "team spirit" and an awareness of the most critical needs at any given time.
5. A pre-Synod conference on the Theology of a Synod.
6. The organizing of the members of Synod into small groups for the purpose of cultivating fellowship, Bible study, and prayer, but also to become action groups with each group being given a report to review, a paper to study, a minute book to examine, or a "special committee" assignment to handle.
7. A re-establishment of the Signs of the Times Committee to ensure the Synod does not meet without having been made aware of the current issues which affect our mission as the RPCNA.
8. A pre-Synod conference on discerning our spiritual gifts with the purpose of seeing Synod in particular, but congregations in general, helping persons serve in those areas where they have God-given ability and interest.
9. A dispensing of anything which detracts from the best use of time and high sense of calling of a Synod, such as, the hearing of fraternal delegates, unnecessary announcements, impromptu motions, and "yo-yo" awards.
10. A year set aside for prayer and fasting, seeking revival in the church at large and in the RPCNA in particular.
11. A restructuring of Synod's agenda with a focus on the imperative call for the establishing of new churches by those responsible.

#### Committee Approach and Recommendations

Recognizing that the 1988 Synod is a shortened Synod, the committee is submitting this report both with this Synod and future Synods in mind. We have written to the clerks of presbyteries suggesting that presbyteries, in addition to giving necessary factual information, also include in their reports a picture of what the presbytery is like: Where there is growth or decline, encouragements and discouragements, perhaps areas where there is a sense of apathy or lack of zeal. An example of this kind of report is found in the "Presbytery of the Alleghenies" report to the last Synod (*Minutes, 1987*, pp 32-33).

The committee has also been in communication with Rev. James Wright, director of the adult program for Carleton, to seek to make the

most of the presbytery reports as they will be given to the entire adult group at the Conference.

While the committee looks forward to a full report to the 1989 Synod, we present the following recommendations as a first step in Synod's making some choices to change.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. That Synod place a greater emphasis on prayer for revival and growth of its congregations, and that the Clerk be instructed to include in the docket for the 1989 Synod and following Synods periods of worship and prayer in addition to the present devotional periods.
2. That every member of Synod make a commitment to pray regularly for the coming year for at least two people—by name—for their salvation.
3. That the Moderator of Synod call for a day for fasting and prayer in preparation for the 1989 Synod.
4. That the reports to Synod from Presbyteries be given priority in Synod's docket, and that in their reports, presbyteries make a conscientious effort to include areas for thanksgiving to God, areas for supplication to God, plans for the future, and information which will honestly indicate the spiritual health of its congregations. And we suggest that a set time of prayer follow each report of a presbytery.
5. That this committee be continued with permission to include the Clerk of Synod whenever needed.

Respectfully submitted,  
Roy Blackwood, Jr  
James Carson, Chairman  
Joseph Lamont  
Edmund Schisler  
Kenneth Smith  
William Weir

**Harry Metzger presented the Report of the Committee on Travel Fund and Absences. Items 1 - 6 were adopted. The Report as a whole was adopted and is as follows:**

#### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAVEL FUNDS AND ABSENCES

Your Committee reports that the 1988 Synod Travel Fund expenses totalled about \$29,500 with 116 delegates participating, an increase of twenty over last year.

Excused absences from meetings of Synod are indicated by an "E" on Synod's attendance roll.

**Recommendations:**

1. That the 1989 Synod travel allowance:
  - a. be determined for those traveling by air on the basis of air coach fare plus ground transportation to and from the airport;
  - b. be determined for those who drive on the basis of \$.20 per mile, plus tolls, unless air coach fare is less expensive, in which case the air coach fare shall be paid along with attendant cost;
  - c. reimburse round trip bus or train fare for those delegates using these modes of transportation.
2. That those who know themselves to be delegates to the 1989 Synod be urged to secure the lowest possible fares.
3. That the congregational travel fund assessment for the 1989 Synod be set by the Committee on Finance.
4. That the delegates be paid by check.
5. That Synod thank Miss Judy Linhart, Mr. Louis Hutmire and the presbytery travel agents for their help.
6. That the delegates from Japan be allowed to participate in Synod's Travel Fund and that they be paid their travel expenses from the West Coast.

Respectfully submitted,  
Harry M. Metzger, Chairman  
William H. Pihl

**Paul Finley presented the Report of the Temperance Committee. The recommendation was referred to the Nominating Committee. The Report was adopted and is as follows:**

**REPORT OF THE TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE**

In II Timothy 3:1-4, we read: "But mark this: There will be terrible times in the last days. People will be lovers of themselves, lovers of money, boastful, proud, abusive, disobedient to their parents, ungrateful, unholly, without love, unforgiving, slanderous, without self-control, brutal, not lovers of the good, treacherous, rash, conceited, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God."

Evidence abounds that all of these evils are pervasive throughout the North American culture in which we live. Millions of individuals are so caught up in hedonistic pursuits that they truly are "lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God." But even we who are of the Body of Christ are not totally immune to their allurements for the old man, though defeated, still lurks within us.

We are thankful that many government agencies and private organizations are speaking out against the dangers of alcohol, drugs, etc., and encouraging our citizens to "just say no." So, can we, as the Church of Jesus

Christ, do any less - seeing that enslavement to such evils may destroy not only the body but also the soul?

Thus, it is the Temperance Committee which has been given the responsibility of keeping before the denomination (especially its young people) information which will strengthen our members' resolve, in the power of the Spirit, to abstain from all manner of evil practices.

In seeking to accomplish our task, the Temperance Committee, since the last meeting of Synod, has operated much as in recent years. Two mailings have been sent out to date, and it is expected that a third mailing will reach the congregations before Carleton. As noted in the 1987 Report of the Temperance Committee, a temperance poster contest for the children and youth of the denomination will culminate at the Carleton Conference where all entries will be judged and displayed. It is also anticipated that temperance literature and other educational materials concerning the social evils of these "last days" will be available at the Temperance Committee's exhibit.

Dr. R. Paul Wright represented the Temperance Committee, and the denomination, at the meeting of the National Temperance and Prohibition Council, which was held in Denver, Colorado, from April 11-13. He reports that the meeting "was very informative as to what others are doing regarding the dangers of alcohol and drugs, and the sources of information for use in this war against these items that hasten ill health and death."

Again, we would request that if you have suggestions for our Committee, or materials that you think would be helpful for us to bring to the attention of the denomination, please send them to the Chairman.

"Do not be deceived: God cannot be mocked. A man reaps what he sows. The one who sows to please his sinful nature, from that nature will reap destruction; the one who sows to please the Spirit, from the Spirit will reap eternal life." (Galatians 6: 7,8)

**Recommendation:** That since the term of R. Paul Wright ends with this meeting of Synod, his successor should be elected.

Respectfully submitted,  
R. Paul Wright  
Lawrence Kelly  
Eileen Filbert  
Paul Finley, Chairman

**Donald Birdsall** reported that there was no report from the Long-Range Planning Committee.

**Charles McBurney** presented the Report of the Judicial Committee. Item 1 in reference to paper 88-4 was adopted and Item 2 in reference to paper 88-6 was adopted. The items are as follows:

**REPORT OF THE JUDICIAL COMMITTEE****Item 1.**

This paper was submitted to the Synod by St. Lawrence Presbytery in response to the decision of the 1987 Synod "that the St. Lawrence Presbytery be required to inform the Synod whether Mr. Adjemian is willing to subscribe to Query No. 8 as it stands, and to abide by its provisions in his practice."

The paper contains an extract from the Minutes of the St. Lawrence Presbytery of March 8, 1988, showing that Mr. Adjemian took vow No. 8 as it stands. In addition, there is a statement by Mr. Adjemian that he does not believe the Church has the authority to demand such a vow, but that he takes it voluntarily and that he will abide by it.

Your Committee concludes that Mr. Adjemian and the St. Lawrence Presbytery have appropriately responded to the concerns of Synod and are in accord with the law and order of the Church.

Along with the above statement, St. Lawrence Presbytery submitted a paper alleging inconsistencies in the Church's requirement of total abstinence by Church officers in Query 8. This paper requested no action. The Committee has, therefore, taken no action.

**Item 2**

Regarding the paper submitted to Synod by the Midwest Presbytery, Paper 88-6: Your Committee reviewed the request of Dr. S. Bruce Willson that his membership remain in the Presbytery, and his reasons for making it. Our unanimous decision is that Dr. Willson's request be approved as an exception to the present law and order of the church based upon conscientious scruples.

Respectfully submitted,  
Robert Hemphill  
Philip Pockras  
Donald Reed  
Thomas G. Reid, Jr.  
Dean R. Smith  
Charles McBurney, Chairman

**James Carson presented the report of the Committee on Paper 88-5. the Report was read, adopted and is as follows:**

**REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO RESPOND TO PAPER 88-5**

Dear Fathers and Brothers,

Your Committee was assigned the task of responding to Paper 88-5, which asked for a major study of exclusive psalmody in the Reformed Presbyterian Church.

The Committee considered the paper at some length, and faced a number of problems. This paper came from a committee of the Midwest Presbytery, but without the Presbytery's endorsement. The paper suggested a format for the committee's work which would involve the payment of a stipend for committee work, a significant break from our usual procedures. Dr. Wayne Spear, the man suggested to be the chairman of the study committee, reported that he would not be willing to serve in that capacity. While two presbyteries have been deeply involved in the study of the question, other presbyteries have not been involved and are not aware of the questions in the debate. Some felt that sufficient study had already been done. The Committee also was faced with the realization that no alternative position had been presented. That is to say, if the present position of the church were to be changed, it was not clear what changes would be made.

Therefore, the Committee unanimously presents one recommendation: We recommend to the Synod that the paper be returned to the signors and that those questioning the exclusive use of Psalms in praise in worship be asked to present an alternative position, with recommendations for change, to their presbyteries.

Respectfully submitted,  
James D. Carson, Chairman  
Philip Beard  
Donald Piper  
Paul Finley  
Roy Adams

**Jerrold Milroy presented the Report of the Committee on Time and Place for the 1990 meeting of Synod. The Report was adopted and is as follows:**

#### **REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TIME AND PLACE FOR THE 1990 MEETING OF SYNOD**

That the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church meet July 14-20, 1990, on the University of Kansas campus at Lawrence, Kansas.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jerrold Milroy  
Robert Tweed

**Kenneth McBurney presented the final report of the Nominating Committee. The Report was adopted and is as follows:**

**REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE**

1. Committee to Study the Role and Service of Women: J. Renwick Wright, Chairman; Jonathan Watt, Thomas Reid, James M. Wright, A. Wayne Duffield.

2. Those to write letters of remembrance:

From:

Jerry O'Neill  
Roy Adams  
John McMillan  
James D. Carson  
Philip Martin  
Kenneth G. Smith  
E. Clark Copeland  
Bruce Martin  
Harold Faris  
Willard McMillan  
Ronald Stegall  
Mission Boards  
Chaplain's Commission

To:

R. Wylie Caskey  
Kermit S. Edgar  
Paul E. Faris  
Melville W. Martin  
Paul D. McCracken  
Robert McMillan  
Waldo Mitchel  
Thomas A. Price  
G. M. Robb  
Alvin W. Smith, Sr.  
S. Bruce Willson  
Missionaries  
Chaplains

3. Those elected to fill vacancies on Synod's Boards and Committees:  
(Elections are to the class of 1991 unless otherwise specified)

- a. Board of Corporators of Geneva College: John H. Tweed
- b. Board of Education and Publication: Norman Carson, J. Edward Hindman, Kathy Stegall
- c. Board of Foreign Missions: Duncan Lowe, Jonathan Watt, Douglas Carson
- d. Board of Home Missions: Two year extension of all terms of all members of the Board
- e. Board of Pension Trustees: Paul Finley, Dennis Olson
- f. Board of Trustees of Synod: John T. Duke, Louis D. Hutmire, Joseph Lamont, Jr.
- g. Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary: J. Donald Birdsall, William Cornell
- h. Committee on Arrangements (Class of 1990): Roy McDonald, Timothy Russell
- i. Committee on Finance: Robert Catloth, Paul Finley
- j. Interchurch Committee: John McMillan, Jerry O'Neill
- k. Parliamentarians (Class of 1994): James D. Carson
- l. Representatives to the Presbyterian and Reformed Commission on Chaplains and Military Personnel: Robert Copeland
- m. Temperance Committee: Marion L. McFarland
- n. Committee on Travel Funds and Absences (Class of 1990): Timothy McCracken
- o. Committee on Time and Place for the 1990 Synod: Jerrold Milroy, Robert Tweed

- p. Committee on Time and Place for the 1991 Synod: Paul M. Martin, Thomas Reid
- q. Chairman of the Graduate Study Committee: Dean Smith

Respectfully submitted,  
Kenneth McBurney, Chairman

**Paul Martin presented the Report of the Committee to Review the Records of Presbytery. The Report was read, adopted and is as follows:**

#### **REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO EXAMINE THE RECORDS OF PRESBYTERIES**

The Minutes of the following presbyteries and commissions were read and nothing was found to be contrary to the law and order of the church: Alleghenies, Atlantic, Iowa, Midwest, Ohio-Illinois, Pacific Coast and St. Lawrence Presbyteries and the Japan Commission. The Committee to review the Records of St. Lawrence Presbytery reports that the matter referred to the St. Lawrence Presbytery concerning the response of Christian Adjeman was handled by Mr. Adjeman's assent to Vow #8.

Respectfully submitted,  
James Pennington, Assistant Clerk

**Willard McMillan presented the Resolution of Thanks which was adopted and is as follows:**

#### **RESOLUTION OF THANKS**

We are thankful to God for His goodness to us at this meeting of Synod. We thank Him for guiding previous Synods so that the arrangements for this meeting permitted the delegates to enjoy with their families the enriching experiences of the Family Conference.

We thank God for the pleasant relief from the summer heat.

We give thanks to God for our officers: Moderator, John H. White; Clerk, Paul M. Martin; and Assistant Clerk, James Pennington. We thank them for their faithful service and are grateful also for the diligent work of Judy Linhart as secretary.

We are thankful for the arrangements made for the meetings of Synod: A comfortable meeting room, good meals; and some members of Synod are thankful for air-conditioned rooms.

We give thanks to the Carleton College administration for the provisions made to facilitate the work of Synod and to the persons who have served us so efficiently.

We thank God for the brotherly spirit in which the members conduct the business of Synod. We see this as evidence of the presence of God's Spirit.

Respectfully submitted,  
**E. Clark Copeland**  
**Willard McMillan, Chairman**

The Minutes were read and adopted.

Following the prayer of adjournment by the Moderator, John H. White, the Court sang Psalm 133. The Court was adjourned to meet on June 9, 1989, at Geneva College.

## **A P P E N D I X**

### **REPORT OF THE ADMINISTRATOR OF THE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN HOME FOR THE AGED**

This year has been one of challenges and rewards as the staff of the Reformed Presbyterian Home has cared for people residing in our Residence and Nursing Unit. We have tried to provide service to our "family" to the best of our ability. There is tremendous satisfaction in providing loving care in a professional manner, and in each department of the Home this can be done in various ways.

#### **Mission and Objectives**

"The Reformed Presbyterian Home, with its levels of care, strives to meet the needs of residents in a supportive, rather than restrictive, environment. Our goal will be achieved as we acknowledge that this is the Lord's work and, that by His grace, He enables us to carry it out." (Philosophy, 2/11/87) We continue to provide residential living, intermediate nursing care, and skilled nursing care to members of the Reformed Presbyterian Church and people generally living in the Western Pennsylvania area. With paid staff and volunteers we provide an opportunity for people to live their last years in a supportive family atmosphere regardless of their physical ailments.

#### **Highlights**

The Pennsylvania Department of Health instituted new regulations on July 1, 1987. One major change was lumping together the Intermediate Nursing Care regulations with the Skilled Nursing Care regulations so the

nursing homes operate under one set of regulations for Long Term Care Facilities. Long Term Care Facilities can provide intermediate or skilled nursing care to patients as the need may be.

We have seen several new residents and patients enter the Home during the past year, and the Residence now has a small waiting list for admission. The Nursing unit usually has an occupancy level of 95%. However, during the months of August and September we experienced an unusually low census.

If everyone says that it does not snow in April he or she should be corrected. The Home family experienced this complication in hosting the 1987 Women's Presbyterial of our local Presbytery in April. We also enjoyed the use of our passenger van which was acquired in late 1986. The van enabled us to meet transportation needs of residents and patients for medical appointments, business, and pleasure. A majority of the staff enjoyed an Appreciation Dinner in early December. This is another opportunity we take to express our appreciation to the staff of the Home for their care of the residents and patients.

Beginning in October 1987, one of our nursing assistants, Bernie McGuire, began a one year internship in nursing home administration at the Home. This is an opportunity she needs in order to sit for her licensure examination in nursing home administration. This internship continues to be a learning experience for all of us.

We have made some major changes in Dietary during 1987. New oak tables and chairs were purchased for the residential dining room, and the staff is now serving the meals in a plated service style in the entire facility, and this is enjoyed by all.

## Goals

As the future trends in health care unfold, the Home's Board of Directors and Administration need to be aware of how to adjust. All of us on staff need to examine our work to see how we can better perform our responsibilities. Our staff continues to need love and patience as we provide care to the elderly and deal with all the trials and tribulations which come with aging. Teamwork among employees needs to be maintained, and the Administration needs to provide leadership and direction.

## Concerns

As health care costs continue to rise, the Home needs to keep a handle on income and expenses of operation. During this past year the cost of worker's compensation insurance has been a major concern, and in addition the cost of utilities needs to be watched.

Changes in classification of levels of care by the regulatory bodies on both the federal and state levels may be occurring in the future, and the "access to care" issue is being addressed by the Pennsylvania legislature.

### Conclusion

I am thankful and grateful to the Board for their continued support to the Home and the Home Administration. I appreciate the opportunity to serve here, and I continue to rely daily on the Lord's providence and wisdom in making decisions necessary for the operation of the Home. Please continue to pray for us!

William J. Weir, Administrator

### REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE NATIONAL REFORM ASSOCIATION

Charles Colson in a recent editorial entitled "So Much for Our 'Great Awakening'" analyzes the failure of the evangelical social and political agenda of the last decade. He gives several possible reasons for this failure but then says, "The deeper reason for the evangelical movement's decline, I believe, lies in its failure from the beginning to grasp a basic truth: It is impossible to effect genuine political reform through legislation without at the same time reforming individual - and eventually national - character." Colson concludes his editorial by saying we must dig in for the long haul, and along with our political activities work for this individual and national reformation.

The purpose and goal of the National Reform Association is to proclaim Jesus as Lord and King over all of public and national life as well as private and personal life. Secondly, it is to encourage Christians in truly knowing and applying this vision in their lives, in the public sphere and private parts of their lives. Finally we want to encourage Christians to an active, Biblically based involvement in the public and national spheres of life.

Our focus over the past year has been to try to renew and re-articulate the original and fundamental vision which prompted the formation of the National Reform Association in 1864. That vision is the truth that Jesus is truly Lord and King over national and public life. Toward that end I have had speaking engagements in many churches and church-related meetings or events. I have spoken at about thirty different places over the past year. We have also published some new literature that tells both of the original focus and work of the National Reform Association and also relates those principles to the modern world in which we live. We have enlisted writers to enlarge upon and apply our goals through timely and original articles for the *Christian Statesman*, which is published six times a year. Many people have been willing to share their own vision or involvement in this way.

Along with this we initiated and helped sponsor the "Consultation on the Biblical Role of Civil Government." This took place last summer. By the end of this year a book covering the consultation will be ready for distribution. We have also taken our National Reform exhibit to such places

as the New England Association of Evangelicals' Congress 88, and the Evangelical Presbyterian Church's General Assembly. However, most of the effort of the past year has focused on those who have been supporters of the National Reform Association through the years.

For the coming year we are going to attempt to reach out more and more to people who are not familiar with us and therefore try to expand the vision and ministry of the National Reform Association. To do this we will be taking our exhibit to several Christian School conventions around the country this fall. We will also be sponsoring several regional seminar/dinners as well as our annual dinner in the Pittsburgh area. We are in the process of establishing a Speaker's Bureau through which we will be able to offer groups interested in applying Christ's Lordship to public and national life a variety of speakers knowledgeable on a number of public issues.

We are also working on a follow-up to last summer's consultation. "Consultation II" will actually be in two parts. First, in January of 1989 there will be a closed session of Biblical scholars working on the Biblical, theological issue of the nature of the continuity and discontinuity between the Old and New Testaments, especially in relationship to the Mosaic law. Then in June of 1989 there will be a consultation similar to last summer's consultation that will be open to the public. Our hopes are that the June meeting will build on the results of the January meeting and apply them to the concrete practical issues of our day and give us all more insight as to how the Lordship of Christ is to be applied to the public and national scene today. We are sponsoring this along with the Association of Public Justice and *World* magazine.

A special challenge that faces us this year is to see increased financial support. If we do not see this increased support it will be impossible for National Reform Association to continue in the long run. Our hope and prayer is that if we are doing something truly worthwhile and helpful, then the financial support will come. In the end our dependence is ultimately on the Lord. Our responsibility is to be as faithful as we know how, and let the Lord take care of us as He sees fit.

I hope you will pray for us in this work, and not hesitate to give us your thoughts, ideas, and input as to both the direction and details that make up the work of the National Reform Association.

Ronald H. Stegall

#### REPORT OF THE REFORMATION TRANSLATION FELLOWSHIP

##### Recent information from Charles Chao:

The Chinese edition of Bavinck's *Our Reasonable Faith* is completed and is undergoing proofreading. Demand for J. G. Vos' *Studies in the*

**Book of Genesis** has prompted a call for special contributions for \$1800 for the printing of one thousand copies. Work is proceeding on the enlargement of the **Theological Dictionary**, which has found a place on the shelves of theological libraries in the U.S.A. and abroad.

A thriving organization, the Theological Translation Fellowship, meets weekly in the Chao's apartment in Taipei. It is now more than three years old. They have published several booklets of theological articles which they finance themselves. Dr. Robert Heimberger, a neuro-surgeon in Taipei, has been prominent in this effort.

### **Regarding Samuel Boyle**

Dr. Boyle, through the kindness of friends and particularly the Japanese R. P. Church, spent a month, June 9 through July 11, visiting Hong Kong and then Canton, and inland cities where he had spent some ten years as a missionary, until the communist takeover of China, and the expulsion of foreign missionaries in 1949.

Dr. Boyle reminds us that the prophet told Mary, the mother of Jesus that a "sword (would) pierce her own soul." Jesus is still a "sign" that is spoken against by a wicked and adulterous generation in this twentieth century. This is true in Marxist countries, in Islamic countries and in the U.S.A.

It has been the privilege of the R.T.F. to provide the printed page in the Chinese language for the past 39 years. The backbone of support for this task has been the Covenanter Church. But it has been joined by many from other denominations and by the R.T.F. in Britain and Japan. We rejoice in the support of the Synod in that Charles Chao is a missionary under the Foreign Mission Board, on loan to the R.T.F. We realize that we must make plans for Charles Chao's successor. Pray that God's plan for the future, and for the expansion of our ministry, may be made plain.

Lester E. Kilpatrick

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Robert Tweed, Ph.D., Robert Willson	
Robert Baumgartner, Douglas Carson,	
A. Wayne Duffield, William Weir	1991

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## Board of Members

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## Board of Members

Board of Foreign Missions	Term Expires
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## FORM OF BEQUEST

"I do bequeath to the Trustees of the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America the following:

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If one wishes, he may specify where he desires the bequest to go. In making out a will, it is advisable to get legal advice.

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George W. Jackson, Ralph Jackson (inactive)

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**Pastor**: D. Raymond McCracken, Rt.2, Box 337, Walden,  
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**Pastor:** vacant

**Clerk:** Richard B. Weir, Ph.D., 18 Midland Avenue,  
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**Elders:** W. K. Metcalfe, L.S.D.

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White Lake, NY 12786. Phone: 914-583-5222

**Pastor:** David C. Coon, P.O. Box 208, White Lake, NY 12786.  
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**Clerk:** John Nelson, 121 Upper Briggs Road,  
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**Treasurer:** Mrs. Florence Lynn, P.O. Box 50, White Lake,  
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**Pastor:** Sidney Van Camp, Ph. D., 2281 Macon Street,  
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**Clerk:** Wilbur Keys, Rt.2, 21725 County Road 115,

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**Pastor:** William Roberts, 3920 S. Kennedy Drive,

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**Clerk:** Charles Cooper, 701 S. High Street,

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**Elders:**

**Treasurer:** Laurence Curry, 107 North Johnson Avenue,

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**Pastor:** Jerry O'Neill, 2909 Streamside Dr.,

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**Pastor:** Samuel B. Sterrett, Oakdale, IL 62268.  
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**Clerk:** Preston Carson, Box 155, R.R.#1,  
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**Clerk:** Thomas H. Forest, 1551 Sackett Circle  
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**Pastor:** Roy Blackwood, Jr., Ph.D., 1175 Princeton Place,  
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**Clerk:** Dean Filson, 4080 Eagle Lake Drive,  
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**Clerk:** William L. Long, 720 South 9th Street,  
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**Clerk:** Thomas Burns, R.R.#1, Carleton Place, Ontario,  
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**Elders:** William J. Burns, James L. Morton

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**Clerk:** Harry Meahl, 419 W. Franklin Street,  
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**Clerk:** Dale Smith, Lisbon, NY 13658. Phone: 315-393-2988

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**Clerk:** Brian Brodie, R.R.#3, Dalkeith,  
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**Oswego**—71 W. Bridge Street, Oswego, NY 13126

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**Clerk:** George Hueber, R.D. 2, Box 482, Oswego, NY 13126. Phone: 315-343-4820

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**Clerk:** Hartley Russell, R.D.#2, Walton, NY 13856  
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**Higashisuma**—2-26, 4 Chome, Ote-Cho, Suma-Ku, Kobe 654, Japan

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**Pastor:** Shigeru Takiura. Installed 1977. Phone: 078-452-5310

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Basic: Ordained .....	\$16,650
Non-Ordained .....	\$13,320

Increment: \$50 per year up to five years.

An adjustment is made each month according to the cost-of-living index.  
Salaries are paid monthly.

Fringe Benefits: Hospitalization Insurance, Denominational Pension,  
in lieu of S.S. Schooling provided for children through High School.

**WOMEN'S SYNODICAL MISSIONARY FELLOWSHIP  
OF THE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
OF NORTH AMERICA  
STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND  
DISBURSEMENTS-COMBINED FUNDS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JANUARY 10, 1988**

	<b>Balance 1/5/87</b>	<b>Receipts ments</b>	<b>Disburse- 1/10/88</b>	<b>Balance</b>
Contingent Fund	\$ 362.47	\$ 1,780.10	\$ 1,636.64	\$ 505.93
Life & Memorial Fund	3,111.45	381.47	100.00	3,392.92
Thankoffering Fund	.60	24,149.99	24,149.92	.67
Special Projects Fund	85.30	2,852.55	2,936.88	.97
Designated Funds	.90	8,081.16	8,062.96	19.10
	<b><u>\$3,560.72</u></b>	<b><u>\$37,245.27</u></b>	<b><u>\$36,886.40</u></b>	<b><u>\$3,919.59</u></b>

**BANK ACCOUNTS**

Concord-Liberty Savings & Loan				
Assoc.—Checking	\$1,704.06	\$37,138.80	\$36,886.40	\$1,956.46
Concord-Liberty Savings & Loan				
Assoc.—Savings	<u>\$1,560.66</u>	<u>\$ 106.47</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>\$1,963.13</u>
	<b><u>\$3,560.72</u></b>	<b><u>\$37,245.27</u></b>	<b><u>\$36,886.40</u></b>	<b><u>\$3,919.59</u></b>

**RECEIPTS**

Iowa Presbyterial .....	\$ 2,037.41
Midwest Presbyterial .....	8,086.36
New York Presbyterial .....	7,174.36
Ohio-Illinois Presbyterial .....	8,689.58

Pacific Coast Presbyterial .....	2,188.00
Presbyterial of the Alleghenies .....	6,922.13
Handbook Sales .....	769.37
Miscellaneous Contributions .....	842.55
Interest .....	428.73
	<u>\$37,138.80</u>

### DISBURSEMENTS

#### Contingent Fund

NAE Fellowship .....	\$ 165.00
Synodical Handbook Expense .....	650.00
Officers & Superintendents Expense .....	785.17
Convention Expense .....	1,028.14
Miscellaneous .....	<u>36.47</u>
	<u><u>\$ 1,636.64</u></u>

#### Life and Memorial Fund

Dolores Cook .....	<u>100.00</u>
	100.00

#### Thankoffering Fund

Home Missions .....	8,049.97
Foreign Missions .....	<u>16,099.95</u>
	<u><u>\$24,149.92</u></u>

#### Special Projects Fund

Support for Mr. Youn's work .....	2,700.00
Air Mail Postage .....	<u>236.88</u>
	<u><u>\$ 2,936.88</u></u>

#### Designated Funds

Home Missions .....	\$ 965.80
Foreign Missions .....	210.00
Japan .....	1,529.00
Geneva College .....	960.00
R.P. Seminary .....	1,365.00
R.P. Home .....	522.00
National Reform Association .....	804.00
Reformation Translation Fellowship .....	1,086.75
Chicago .....	85.00
Columbus .....	15.00
Synod's Budget .....	200.00
Mr. Youn .....	190.00

Liberia .....	50.00
State College .....	32.00
Rev. Randy VanOsdal .....	75.00
	<u>\$ 8,062.96</u>
	<b>\$36,886.40</b>

**Mrs. Willard Hemphill,  
Treasurer**

"I have checked these records and with the information submitted I find the balance of \$1,956.46 in the checking account as of 1/12/88 to be correct."

Eve B. Hays  
3/22/88

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September 31, 1987

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December 31, 1987

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Ministerial Members 3 0  
Presbytery's Roll 3 3  
Totals, Iowa 248 238 175 63 4 5 2 1 0 1 9 4 6 0 2 7 19 11 6

Decrease											Increase											
To RP To 8th Final											From To RP To 8th Final											
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Mem.	Comm.	Capt.	Baughchild/	By Prof.	Fr. RP	From	To RP	To 8th	Final	Mem.	Comm.	Capt.	Baughchild/	By Prof.	Fr. RP	From	To RP	To 8th	Final	Mem.	Comm.	
Iowa:																						
Marion	39	31	19	12							0	1	6				1	8		3	1	
Sharon	101	103	84	19				5	2	1	0	2				2	2	6	4	5		
Washington	102	101	69	32	4			1	1	1	1	1				1	1	2	4			
Ministerial Members	3	0																		3	3	
Totals, Iowa	248	238	175	63	4	5	2	1	0	1	9	4	6	0	2	7	19	11	6			
Midwest:																						
Aurora	39	45	28	17		10	9				19	9	4				13	1				
Clarendon	33	36	32	4	1	1	4				5	1	1				1	2	1	1		
Colorado Springs	20	25	19	6	1	1	1	2	1	3	7					2	2	2	1			
Denison	104	107	79	28	1	1	1	2	1	2	4					1	1	7	7			
Greeley	54	57	56	1			2	1			3						0	6	4			
Hays	40	39	12	27				1	1	1						1	1	2	2	3		
Hebron	65	78	53	25		2	8			2	13					0	0	4	4			
Lawrence	90	82	41	41	1			1	2	1						3	6	1	10	6	2	
Minneola	49	48	32	16	1			0		0	1					1		1	3	4		
Quinter	93	80	61	19	1			1	2	1	1					14		14	6	3		
Shawnee	139	134	96	38	3	2	2	1		1	6	1	2			6	1	1	11	7	5	
Sterling	98	94	70	24				0								2	2	4	5	6		
Superior-Boulder	41	36	30	6	1			1	1	1						5	6	4	4			
Topeka	138	136	116	20		2	1	2	1	5	1					6	3	1	10	2	2	
Westminster	64	64	41	23		2	1	7		10		6				1	2	3	5	6		
Winchester	68	79	63	16	3		5	6	3	14	1					1	2	3	5	6		
Ministerial Members	30	0									0					0	0	2	1	30	30	
Presbytery's Roll	11	16	13	3							8	8				8	8		3			
Totals, Midwest	1,176	1,156	857	299	10	20	23	30	3	23	99	5	21	32	22	33	119	68	59			

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INCREASE											DECREASE											Elders		Deacons	
PRESBYTERY		Total Member		Comm. Bapt.		Bapt. Child/		By Prof.		Fr. RP		From		To Prof.		To Oth.		Final							
		12/31/86		12/31/87		Mem. Memb.		Prof. Faith		Bapt. Chur.		Oth. Dan.		Other		Deaths		Chur.		Dance.		Removal		Other	
Ohio-111 (cont'd):																									
Belle Center	61	43	35	8	5	1	2	1	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	3	2			
Bloomington	67	65	58	7	2			2	1	3	1									5	4	7			
Columbus	37	52	41	11	3	4	2	6	2	1	15									0	3	1			
C.F. Indpls.	10	11	10	1					1	1										0	2				
Heatherton	21	29	26	3					9	1										1	2	3			
Dakdale	47	49	44	5					2	1	3									1	1	5	2		
Ogallala	31	33	29	4					2	2										0	2	2			
Orlando	127	123	93	24	7	1	2	5		8	1	4	1	6					12	5	7				
Second Indpls.	119	126	97	29	2	8	5	1	11	2	1	1	1	1					4	8	8				
Salina	82	84	64	20	5	1	1	1	1	3	1								1	4	4				
Southfield	55	52	42	10				2		2	1	1	1	1					2	5	5	4			
Southside Indpls.	114	117	59	11	8	2			10	1	7								7	4	5				
Sparta	51	49	38	11	3	1			1	2	2	2	2	2					4	4	2				
West Lafayette	112	112	44	1	2	7	11	1	22										0	6					
Westminster, M.S.	3	17	8	9	2	2	8	2	14	1									0	2					
Ministerial Members	24	0	10	10				1	10	11		0		0	24				1						
Presbytery's Roll	0																								
Totals, Ohio-111.	919	972	728	244	25	21	32	29	15	23	120	9	39	8	9	2	67	■	47						
Pacific Coast:																									
Anchorage	25	25	9	16					1	5	1	0							0	1	1				
Fresno	61	67	52	15					3	5	1	7	1	1					1	4	5				
Los Angeles	58	65	60	5					2	1	1	10	1	3					3	4	6				
Phoenix	115	107	64	43					1	1	4								12	12	3				
San Diego	29	25	9	16					1	1	1	1	1	3	2				5	2	0				
Santa Ana	■	23	5						0	1	1	1	1	1					1	2	2				
Seattle	91	94	55	39	1	3	2		5	1	1	1							2	4	4				
Ministerial Members	9	0																9		9					
Presbytery's Roll	2	0																2		2					
Totals, Pac. Coast	419	411	272	139	1	9	13	1	2	2	27	2	15	4	2	2	2	35	■	21					

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	Total Member 12/31/86	Total Member 12/31/87	Increase			Decrease			Total Deaths Chur. Dance. Removal	Total Elders Deacons
			To RP Comm. Membr.	From Bapt. Child/ Membr.	By Prof. Faith Bapt.	To Off Final	To Off Final			
St. Lawrence:										
Almonte	64	67	5	16	1	1	1	3	0	3
Endeavor	23	25	17	8	1	2	1	6	4	2
Lisbon	39	45	33	12	4	1	1	6	0	2
Lochiel	18	19	11	8	1	1	1	1	0	3
Osawego	28	29	23	6	1	2	1	6	2	1
Ottawa	77	91	■■■	23	10	6	9	2	15	1
Rochester	9	9	6	3	0	0	0	0	0	1
Syracuse	120	127	79	40	7	10	17	10	10	3
Watson	82	84	69	15	2	2	1	5	1	3
Ministerial Members Presbytery's Roll	11	0	0	5	1	1	1	1	5	12
Totals, St. Lawrence	471	501	362	139	12	21	27	1	12	65
HOME FIELD TOTALS	4,907	4,912	3,609	1,303	67	109	123	107	55	477
JAPAN COMMISSION										
Highshiyama	■■■	65	44	21	1	1	1	2	3	3
Kasunigakka	43	44	28	16	1	1	1	2	1	2
Keiyaku	76	71	44	27	1	1	1	3	5	3
Kitasuzu, MS	2	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Makorosu, MS	13	16	14	2	3	3	3	0	0	0
Yokoh, MS	0	2	2	0	1	1	2	0	0	0
Kasugamichi, MS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Gakun Toshi, MS										
Ministerial Members	4	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Total Japan	204	202	136	■■■	0	2	0	3	5	6

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PRESBYTERY	Total		Total		Comm.		Bapt.		Bapt/Child/		By Prof.		Fr. RP		From		To RP		To 0th		Final	
	Member	12/31/86	12/31/87	Memb.	Memb.	Prof.	Faith	Chur.	Oth.	Oth.	Oth.	Deacons	Chur.	Oth.	Oth.	Total	Deaths	Chur.	Oth.	Total	Deaths	
Alleghenies	1,292	1,249	933	316	12	23	23	37	21	16	120	15	23	53	9	63	163	69	64			
Atlantic	382	385	282	103	3	10	3	8	10	6	37	4	15	3	4	8	34	22	19			
Iowa	248	238	175	63	4	5	2	1	0	1	9	4	6	0	2	7	18	11	6			
Midwest	1,776	1,156	857	299	10	20	23	30	3	23	99	5	27	32	22	33	119	68	59			
Ohio-Illinois	919	912	728	244	25	21	32	29	15	23	120	9	39	8	2	67	59	47				
Pacific Coast	419	411	212	139	1	9	13	1	2	2	27	2	15	4	2	12	35	20	21			
St. Lawrence	471	501	362	139	12	21	27	1	4	12	65	1	8	17	4	5	35	22	25			
Total Home Field	4,907	4,812	3,669	1,303	67	109	123	107	55	83	477	40	133	117	52	130	472	271	241			
Japan Commission	204	202	136	66	0	2	0	3	5	2	12	0	0	5	6	3	14	7	6			
GRAND TOTAL	5,111	5,114	3,745	1,363	67	111	123	110	60	95	489	40	133	122	58	133	486	278	247			

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PRESBYTERY	Average Attend.		Balance Sup. Aid			Pastor's Salaries			Total Diss.			Balance 12/31/87	
	Worship	Sab. Sch.	CYPU	Parson.	12/31/86	Presby.	Other	RPM	RPM & W RP Works	Other	Total Diss.	Other Assets	Pastor's Sal 1-88
Alleghenies:													
Allegheny	60	35	No	2,333	42,516	42,516	25,202	1,370	1,958	14,440	42,970	1,879	55,016
College Hill	280	120	16	Yes	12,485	150,643	26,587	10,000	13,754	104,431	154,772	8,356	8,646
Cov Fellowship	132	■■■	No	1,100	119,367	119,367	34,042	9,564	5,511	69,125	110,602	1,065	7,470
Eastvale	50	40	Yes	8,944	44,066	44,066	4,524	2,465	2,574	22,514	32,077	20,933	4,524
1st Beaver Falls	49	29	Yes	1,538	43,505	43,505	8,291	6,000	4,159	21,708	43,158	1,985	8,400
Geneva	150	80	9	No	1,915	77,900	23,000	8,000	11,114	33,046	75,200	4,615	54,824
Manchester	41	36	4	Yes	4,968	41,919	19,156	2,785	1,148	17,308	40,397	6,470	40,405
New Alexandria	40	27	12	Yes	9,719	27,120	27,120	19,919	576	1,436	8,639	30,570	6,269
New Cov. Ref. F. E.	75	50	No	1,188	13,500	35,724	49,224	24,482	600	612	23,533	49,227	1,185
North Hills	69	40	10	Yes	1,011	83,140	83,140	21,427	6,545	3,250	47,358	84,680	(205)
Riversburg	36	24	Yes	768	24,393	24,393	10,793	300	1,511	100	12,704	12,437	5,070
Rose Point	73	62	Yes	13,270	49,751	49,751	22,389	8,000	12,616	17,203	60,068	2,953	22,889
Tuscar Area	51	41	No	773	2,000	27,442	29,442	21,000	1,101	7,046	29,147	1,068	21,000
Trinity(O.C. (W.S.	25	6	No	4,149	23,000	27,967	50,967	35,302	300	572	7,069	43,243	11,813

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Totals, Alleghenies	1,051	675	49	7	64,181	38,500	795,717	834,211	302,414	56,505	61,276	396,560	816,815	81,583	768,912	323,572	
Atlantic:																	
Brookville	60	39	Yes	20,500	65,873	65,873	15,762	9,661	19,664	30,386	75,473	10,908	16,121	16,514			
Cambridge	50	30	Yes	3,277	40,052	40,052	23,102	1,130	1,130	12,602	38,464	4,065	2,25	25,300			
Coldenham-Newburgh	80	50	6	Yes	23,460	60,855	60,855	25,021	4,595	6,450	32,267	68,333	15,982	147,088	27,000		
Elkins Park	24	14	Yes	35	28,436	28,436	18,614	179	2,128	7,427	28,348	1,123	14,978	19,614			
Ridgefield Park	20	10	No	2,111	47,585	47,585	8,711	3,000	4,832	20,937	37,480	12,222	246,163				
White Lake	44	27	6	No	3,655	7,430	29,185	36,615	21,602	1,225	1,753	12,182	36,762	3,508	6,480	23,752	
Ministerial Members Presbytery's Roll																	
Totals, Atlantic	278	170	12	4	53,052	7,430	211,986	219,416	112,812	19,790	30,457	115,001	284,960	47,608	430,855	112,180	

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PRESBYTERY	Average Attend.		Balance Sab. Sch.	CYPU	Parson.	12/31/86	Sun. Atd.	Presby.	Other	Total Receipts	Pastor's Salary	RPM & M	RP Works	Other	Total Disb.	Balance 12/31/87	Other Assets	Pastor's Sal-'88	
	Worship	Attend.																	
Iowa:																			
Marion	14	14	Yes	12,159		9,736	9,736	14,425		564	5,142	20,131	1,764	25,103	0				
Sharon	73	25	Yes	1,500		49,200	49,200	19,499	13,511	3,134	12,056	48,200	2,500	51,998	20,520				
Washington	55	35	No	3,776		29,161	29,161	20,141		4,047	6,613	30,801	1,536	14,710	20,650				
Ministerial Members Presbytery's Roll																			
Totals, Iowa	142	74	2	16,835	0	88,097	88,097	54,065	13,511	7,745	23,811	99,132	5,800	90,911	41,170				
Midwest:																			
Aurora	30	21	Yes	4,654	2,000	71,471	73,471	18,535	35	614	56,134	75,318	2,807	18,535					
Clarinda	30	22	No	5,405		22,784	22,784	7,460	466	1,133	16,444	25,511	2,618	24,277	13,300				
Colorado Springs	26	26	No	10,778	6,500	18,994	25,994	24,302	846	464	5,376	30,911	5,484	820	27,210				
Denison	82	65	9	3,860		43,026	43,026	19,152	3,376	2,272	20,220	45,020	1,886	16,784					
Des Moines	26	20	Yes	1,208		31,983	31,983	14,071	478	2,507	15,029	32,085	1,006	38,236	17,000				
Greely	34	31	No	1,917	1,200	29,492	30,692	12,600	355	1,438	11,549	25,942	4,917						
Hays	56	54	No	2,952		35,361	35,361	18,000	6,510	6,866	2,825	34,201	4,112	15,650	18,600				
Huron	100	90	10	No	1,082	70,268	70,268	14,300	1,000	6,944	47,288	69,532	1,819	17,170	30,850				
Lawrence	25	25	Yes	2,238		47,063	47,063	18,400	1,433	25,996	45,829	3,472	3,907	20,000					
Minneola	41	30	3	Yes	(221)	21,021	21,021	9,393	565	2,022	11,915	23,955	2,839						
Quinton	86	75	7	No	2,215	111,693	111,693	31,283	16,720	5,000	58,540	111,543	2,365	131,411	32,605				
Shawnee	72	50	4	Yes	27,099	77,750	77,750	21,859	10,000	2,445	34,474	68,778	36,071	40,219	26,830				
Sterling	14	8	Yes	771	1,622	11,324	12,946	8,465	32	1,032	3,511	13,040	677	1,431	8,610				
Superior-Deulah	110	72	8	Yes	49,580	84,278	84,278	19,801	22,023	7,595	30,511	79,930	53,928	31,500					
Topeka	56	55	No	3,067		38,719	38,719	26,742	200	1,100	13,193	41,535	251		26,750				
Waukesha	66	66	5	Yes	1,515	45,944	45,944	20,374	5,000	1,987	19,590	46,951	508	5,590	21,112				
Ministerial Members Presbytery's Roll																			
Totals, Midwest	814	610	46	9	116,584	11,322	767,072	778,394	284,745	67,606	45,152	372,655	770,158	124,830	295,505	313,102			

PRESBYTERY	Average Attend.			Balance Sup. Aid			Pastor's Salary			Other			Balance 12/31/87		Other Assets		Pastor's Sal-88	
	Morship Sab Sch.	Cyph Parson.	12/31/86	Other	Receipts	RPM & RP Works	Other	Total Disb.	Other	Total Disb.	Other	Total Disb.	12/31/87	Other Assets	Pastor's Sal-88			
Ohio-Illinois:																		
Belle Center	35	27	10	Yes	24,407	25,840	17,950	3,149	1,183	3,453	25,635	24,612	10,002	17,850				
Bloomington	55	35	3	Yes	2,398	49,199	20,302	6,133	3,886	18,933	49,284	2,313	29,598	21,400				
Columbus	55	40	5	No	2,283	55,986	28,002	2,000	1,232	21,589	52,803	5,466	30,152					
C.F. Indpls.	15	15	No	529	1,500	10,353	11,853	9,047	1,205	500	10,832	1,550	13,500					
Herkertown	22	7	Yes	5,762	11,788	4,038	1,136	325	3,414	8,913	8,637							
Oakdale	32	29	Yes	3,786	29,628	29,628	13,392	947	2,268	16,478	31,083	2,331		13,000				
Ogema	26	22	5	No	197	22,568	22,568	18,452	1,170	2,143	21,765	1,000		19,700				
Orlando	120	80	20	No	19,104	103,436	32,002	9,369	7,257	44,718	93,306	29,194		33,400				
Second Indpls.	100	90	No	9,185	124,900	124,900	30,300	6,200	4,600	86,085	127,105	5,900	107,000	31,600				
Sehne	59	25	5	Yes	1,140	42,055	42,055	18,298	400	1,346	17,984	38,038	5,157	19,075				
Southfield	34	30	Yes	57,974	48,983	48,983	20,632	4,260	6,824	17,684	49,360	57,607	10,000	24,600				
Southside Indpls.	130	120	No	25,567	145,437	145,437	32,802	6,985	3,080	58,425	101,292	69,912		35,300				
Sparta	40	40	7	Yes	37,360	42,885	42,885	20,913	4,500	1,420	9,527	36,380	43,885	21,925				
West Lafayette	115	115	No	6,766	68,398	68,398	22,926	600	3,259	27,533	54,324	20,840		26,467				
Westminster, N.S.	22	20	No	47,908	2,000	21,764	23,764	30,405	54	16,738	47,195	24,377		32,500				

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Totals, Ohio-111.	860	695	55	7	244,366	3,500	803,230	805,730	319,361	45,679	39,117	343,258	747,415	303,681	171,509	340,339	
Pacific Coast:																	
Anchorage	35	32	1	Yes	16,816	32,439	42,563	75,002	0	1,061	1,224	49,815	60,665	31,153	8,575		
Fresno	44	31	No	2,027	69,199	69,199	27,476	7,288	7,468	20,106	62,338	8,888	78,765	29,476			
Los Angeles	110	60	No	28,437	3,000	72,461	72,461	36,060	5,000	3,466	37,146	81,672	19,226	18,746	37,056		
Phoenix	30	20	No	6,788	10,407	33,667	36,667	1,500	1,500	526	28,595	30,621	12,834	25,000			
San Diego	16	13	No	120	10,407	10,407	12,115	1,000	1,816	3,292	18,223	304	202,998	12,115			
Santa Ana	85	65	Yes	85,601	50,132	50,132	28,802	3,455	5,654	28,345	66,256	69,477	0	29,000			
Seattle																	

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Totals, Pac Coast	320	221	7	2	142,754	35,439	286,429	321,868	114,528	17,794	20,154	170,264	322,740	141,882	300,503	141,222
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PRESBYTERY	Average Attend.			Balance Sup. Aid			Pastor's Salary			Total Disb.			Balance 12/31/87		Pastor's Assets Sal-'88	
	Worship	Sab. Sch.	CYPU	Parson.	12/31/86	Presby.	Other	Receipts	RPM	& M	RPM Works	Other	Total	Other Assets		
St. Lawrence:																
Almonte	36	30	6	Yes	14,403		38,757	38,757	15,838	3,265	1,534	49,588	3,572	15,838		
Endeavor	25	25	No	2,671	10,500	19,173	29,673	22,939	250	788	7,450	31,417	927	4,486		
Lisbon	48	35	5	Yes	7,282	0	0	0				0	7,282	9,805	22,800	
Lochiel	12	12	Yes	2,383		10,970	10,970	75		407	10,005	10,487	2,775		15,000	
Oswego	40	30	No	2,229	6,233	33,638	39,871	27,800		1,339	12,289	41,426	612	1,843	28,850	
Ottawa	90	80	No	7,920	65,997	65,997	29,885	1,130		2,822	24,912	58,729	15,188	8,296	31,675	
Rochester	16	16	No	4,865	10,240	8,907	19,147	13,500	250	252	5,290	19,292	4,720	27,900		
Syracuse	160	40	Yes	4,080		98,623	98,623	31,571		2,200	4,476	53,669	91,916	10,787	3,331	
Walton	63	43	6	Yes	6,613	51,256	51,256	22,397	7,475	6,014	13,287	49,173	8,696	3,414	24,400	
Ministerial Members Presbytery's Roll																
Total, St. Lawrence	490	311	17	5	52,446	26,973	327,230	354,203	163,975	14,570	17,632	155,853	352,030	54,619	31,175	199,963
HOME FIELD TOTALS																
JAPAN COMMISSION	3,995	2,836	192	36	690,228	123,164	3,339,761	3,462,925	1,351,960	235,455	221,533	1,578,202	3,393,150	160,003	2,089,376	1,471,600
Highashisume	47	23	4	Yes	2,015		53,791	53,791	39,070		2,708	12,268	54,046	1,820		39,070
Kasumigaoka	25	11	Yes	1,130		26,908	26,908	21,624		1,442	2,906	25,872	2,166	32,954	21,615	
Keiyaku	10	17	9	Yes	811		29,889	29,889	19,559		1,954	8,570	30,091	619	14,953	19,600
Kitasuzu, MS	15	9	Yes	612		4,992	4,992	3,185			1,954	5,139	4,655	3,846		
Mukonosou, MS	20	20	5	Yes	367		16,577	16,577			185	15,821	16,006	938	91,843	
Yokoh, MS	4	5	1								1,692	2,462	4,154	574		
Kasuganomichi, MS																
Gakuen Toshi, MS	17	18														
Total Japan	158	103	19	5	5,384	1,461	138,405	139,966	83,438	0	7,881	47,161	138,480	6,850	143,773	80,285

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	Morship	Sab.Sch.	CYCU	Parson.	12/31/86	Presby.							
Alleghenies	1,051	675	49	7	64,181	38,500	753,201	834,217	302,474	56,505	61,216	396,560	81,583
Atlantic	278	170	12	4	53,052	7,430	271,986	219,416	112,812	19,790	36,457	115,801	284,860
Isles	142	74	6	2	16,835	0	88,097	88,097	54,065	13,511	7,745	23,811	99,132
Midwest	854	690	46	8	116,594	11,322	761,072	778,394	284,745	67,606	45,152	372,655	710,158
Ohio-111inois	860	695	55	7	244,366	3,500	803,230	806,730	319,361	45,679	38,117	343,258	747,415
Pacific Coast	320	221	7	2	182,754	35,439	286,429	321,868	114,528	17,794	20,154	170,264	322,740
St. Laurence	490	311	11	5	52,446	26,913	321,230	354,203	163,915	14,510	11,632	155,853	352,030
Total Home Field	3,995	2,836	192	35	680,228	123,164	3,297,245	3,462,925	1,351,960	235,455	227,533	1,518,202	3,393,150
Japan Commission	158	103	19	5	5,384	1,461	138,485	139,946	83,430	0	7,881	47,161	138,080
GRAND TOTAL	4,153	2,939	211	40	695,612	124,625	3,435,130	3,602,071	1,435,398	235,555	235,414	1,625,363	3,531,630
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